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German Demand Presented To Svria

PASSAGE FOR TROOPS TO ATTACK SUEZ

Telegraphic Links Between Iraq And Syria Cut Off

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, May 9.

THE Vichy News Agency says that all telegraph links between Iraq and Syria have been cut off.

The Syrian High Commissioner General Dentz, it is learned, has received Germany's demands for permission to land forces for a drive towards the Suez.

It is believed that there is connection between this demand and the concessions by Vichy to Germany over Armistice terms.

AMIRABDULLAH TO GIVE BATTLE TO RASHID ALI

IRAQI AIR FORCES PUT OUT OF ACTION: BUT "NOT ALL OVER" YET

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, May 9.

Following the reported fleeing from Bagdad of Rashid Ali, Mr. Tewfik Bey, ex-Regent Amir Abdullah's Foreign Minister, has joined his ex-Chief who is leading loyalist forces to fight Rashid Ali.

IRAQI AIR FORCE PUT OUT OF ACTION

LONDON, May 9.

The Air Ministry announced this afternoon that it can now be taken for granted that Rashid Ali's air arm has ceased to be an effective fighting force. The Royal Air Force have destroyed most of the aircraft, and those that remain certainly cannot undertake offensive action of any kind. —Reuter.

RASHID 'DROME ABLAZE

CAIRO, May 9.

R.A.F. Headquarters announce that the very large fire started near the Rashid Air base of the Iraqis on Thursday morning was still burning fiercely in the afternoon. One pilot who has been on numerous raids over Germany and France declared it easily the biggest blaze he had seen anywhere. 'Something very big and very important" was the official description of the fire.

The Rashid aerodrome, a few miles from Baghdad, was founded by the R.A.F. and was formerly known as Hanaidi. Thousands of R.A.F. men have served there.

Plateau Occupied

"Our troops have occupied a plateau overlooking Habbaniyah while salvage operations in the area are continuing," says a Cairo 'communique'. "In addition to the guns captured, quantities of Iraqi war material of all descriptions have been brought in.

Meanwhile remnants of the dissident elements of the Iraq Army, which had attacked Habbaniyah, have withdrawn to Ramadi and Fallujah. Our patrols have been active towards both these places.

BASRA AREA:—All quiet."

"Not All Over" Yet

Regarding the report that British troops have been flown to Mosul, it is stated in London that this report is untrue.

In Basra, the British had extended their control and had occupied some more commercial buildings; including banks and telegraph offices. There has been a little rioting but nothing more serious.

Regarding the general situation it is added that it could not be described as "all over." It could not be said how it might develop It could be said, nowever, that it had not flared up as it might have done. It looked as if the German—paid clique in the Army was not gaining much ground politically, but it is not known clearly what is going on inside the country.

Evacuation Of Women And Children

All British women and children in Baghdad when the hostilties in Iraq began were evacuated to Basra and the great majority have now left for India by sea, it is announced in Cairo. American built troop-carrying aircraft of the R.A.F. have brought a party numbering over two hundred south of Basra from Habbaniyah.

The pilot of one aircraft said that his plane was shot at by Iraqis who were at the time on escarpment overlooking the aerodrome at Habbaniyah. "They must have seen us as we were taking the women aboard and can have no doubt who were on board."

These troop-carriers had taken reinforcements from India to Habbaniyah.

Restrictions On Payments To Iraq

LONDON, May 9.

Prohibition of payments of transfers of gold securities, etc., where instructions emanate from any person, corporation or other authority resident in Iraq except with the Treasury's permission, is made by an Order-in-Council. This is announced in the directions issued by the Treasury to bankers to-day. The announcement adds that any questions arising from above instructions should be referred to the Treasury.

ARABS IN PALESTINE Have No Sympathy With Rashid Ali

JERUSALEM, May 9.

The Arab population in Palestine are much concerned regarding Iraq but very few have any sympathy with Rashid Ali. The virtual quelling of the revolt by prompt British counter-measures has given great satisfaction.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Recovers

WASHINGTON, May 9.

The temperature of President Roosevelt who has been confined to bed with slight stomach trouble is now almost back to normal, but the doctor has advised him to remain quiet over the week-end.—Reuter.

IRAQI MINISTER AT ANKARA

VICHY, May 9.

Sayid Haji Shawkat, Iraqi Minister of Defence, who arrived in Ankara yesterday has had interviews with the Turkish Prime Minister M. Saydam, the Foreign Minister M. Sarajoglu and Secretary General of the Foreign Ministry M. Menenciogly, according to an Ankara telegram.

His talk with the Prime Minister was a long one and was followed by a Cabinet meeting.

Well-informed circles are said to be maintaining great reserve regarding Shawkat's visit and the Turkish press merely mentions his arrival in a two line paragraph without comment.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

German Armed Trawler Scuttled

LONDON, May 9.

The German armed trawler "Munchen" was scuttled in northern waters following an attack by one of the British patrols, states an Admiralty "communique".

MALTA:—Three Nazi bombers are believed to be destroyed in an unsuccessful attack on shipping off the Valetta harbour today (Friday).

JAPANESE TROOPS CAPTURE YUANKU

TOKYO, May 9

After a 24-four hour battle Japanese troops captured Yuanku on the north bank of the Yellow River, according to a Japanese dispatch from North China. Yuanku is an important transport centre for supplies to the Chinese army in the north.—Reuter.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

SIMLA, May 10.

The personnel is announced of the newly constituted Standing Committee to advise on subjects with which the Department of Supply is concerned. It will consist of Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy, Mr. J. H. S. Richardson, Pandit Hirdeynath Kunzru, Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi and Pandit Nilkantha Das.

The last two members are nominated to represent the Legislative Assembly.—A.P.

Hitler Challenges Roosevelt

GERMAN TROOPS IN TOBRUK SURRENDER

HAIFA, May 9.

Complaining of terrible heat small parties of Germans are approaching Australian patrols in the Tobruk area and offering to surrender, according to military personnel arriving on leave here. Some Germans had no water for 48 hours.

When asked where their rifles were the Nazis replied that they had thrown them away. The Australians thereupon told them to go back, recover the rifles and then surrender.—Reuter.

In Abyssinia

ITALIANS PUTTING UP HEAVY DEFENCE

ADDIS ABABA, May 9.

Abyssinian patriots are now only 18 miles from Indian forces in the Amba Alagi mountains north of Addis Ababa, says Reuter's special correspondent.

Patriots led by British officers have taken Marchow which is 18 miles from the Toselli Pass where the Indians advancing from the north are attacking Italians in Amba Alagi sector.

The correspondent adds that the Italians are putting up heavy defence in the mountains.

In Abyssinia fighting is still going on in Amba Alagi sector and the British have occupied some more high ground, during which a company of machine-gun battalion of the Italian Grenadier division was captured.

It is believed that there are between thirty thousand and thirty-three thousand Italian troops left in the whole of the country. It is not possible to say how they are divided or how long they are likely to continue fighting.—Reuter.

Indians In Abyssinia Happy

(From Our Correspondent)

ADEN, May 9.

Mr. Chunilal Virchand, President of the Indian Association has pleasure in informing Indians at home that all Indian residents in Addis Ababa and Abyssinia are happy and having no trouble.

Bombardment Of Benghazi

LONDON, May 9.

British naval and air forces bombarded Benghazi on Wednesday night, says an Italian 'communique.' It also claims that Italian aircraft heavily attacked a British convoy in the Western Mediterranean.

There is still no news of either operation in London.—Reuter.

SEIZURE OF SHIPS TO AID BRITAIN RESENTED

Attachment Of German Dye Trust Funds

AMERICA AWAITS NEXT BIG STEP

WASHINGTON, May 9.

The German Government is reliably reported to have for the first time challenged United States' aid to Britain in its Note regarding the projected requisitioning of foreign ships.

Germany, it is believed, maintains that President Roosevelt could not properly claim existence of an emergency in shipping because the scarcity of United States' vessels resulted from release of American ships to Britain.

GERMAN DYE TRUST FUNDS ATTACHED

The United States has attached the funds of the German Dye Trust, 'Ig Farben Industrie', because of its failure to answer an indictment under the Anti-Trust Law.

The United States Attorney-General described the trust as "probably the most powerful single factor in German influence on American industry." The funds were attached because it failed to appear in court in response to an indictment under the Anti-Trust Law, claiming to be not subject to the United States Law because it was not doing business in America.

Mr. Jackson explained that payments to this German Company under licences issued to American Corporations totalling about 250,000 dollars were being made today. "The action was taken when we could get the money," said Mr. Jackson.

Italians Rounded Up

Government agents have arrested several Italians and searched scores of others who were accused of overstaying their permits to remain in the United States, it is learned. This round-up follows that of Wednesday when 160 German seamen were arrested, says a New York message.

Expansion Of Air Ports

President Roosevelt has asked the Congress for 61,500,000 dollars appopriation for the construction of 149 new air ports and to enlarge the twenty now building.

A huge expansion in American airports is envisaged in the request which President Roosevelt to-day made to the Congress for the appropriation of 61,477,750 dollars.

The increased number of air corps technical units and of schools under the army's training programme is said to be the chief reason for the expansion.

America Awaits Weighty Pronouncement

President Roosevelt's speech next Wednesday to the Pan-American Union is eagerly awaited as it is expected to bring a clarification of the role of the United States in the war.

It is felt here that the situation has now reached a point where only the President himself can determine the issue and chart the nation's course.

Opinion appears confused by the actual part played by President Roosevelt in the interventionist campaign.

Some believe that the President has inspired a drive to sharpen American people's awareness of the war situation

while others suggest that the President is perplexed by the weighty decisions for peace or war which he is required to make and claims that he has not yet made up his mind, though favouring convoys.

Hence the people holding the latter view believe that the interventionist campaign is really directed to influence the President himself to come to a decision.

Red Sea Service

The inauguration of a service to the Red Sea area with ships of the United States Registry and an additional service to China are announced to-day by the United States Maritime Commission. Refusing furher details the Commission stated:

"We have adopted an iron-clad policy of not giving out any information of ship movements which might possibly be to Britain's detriment."

Wheat For Vichy

The United States Government has agreed provisionally to allow France to buy two shiploads of wheat monthly for the Unoccupied zone, the Vichy Ambassador, M. Henri Haye, announced to-day.

M. Haye said that France would pay with the funds frozen in the United States. Mr. Sumner Welles, the United States Under-Secretary of State, had told him that the arrangement would be continued "providing the general situation does not change."

This is taken to mean here that the plan will depend largely on political developments in France, particularly the extent of any Franco-German "collaboration".—Reuter.

GERMAN RAIDER SUNK IN INDIAN OCEAN

LONDON, May 9.

An Admiralty Communique announces that a German armed merchant cruiser acting as commerce raider in the Indian Ocean was intercepted and sunk by the British 10,000 ton cruiser "Cornwall".

Twenty-seven British merchant seamen who were held aboard the raider have been rescued. Fifty-three of the German crew of the raider, who survived, are prisoners of war.

The "Cornwall" sustained superficial damage, but her fighting efficiency has in no way been impaired.

The German merchant raider sunk in the Indian Ocean was probably a former Hansa Liner of about 10,000 tons with a speed of some 19 knots, "Reuter" learns. She was probably armed with six six-inch guns, torpedo-tubes and minelaying apparatus.

This and other German raiders are most carefully fitted out and carry a large ship's company so as to enable them to put prize crews aboard any vessels they may capture. The crew in this case was probably around 300 strong.

YUGOSLAVIA & SOVIET

Diplomatic Recognition Withdrawn

MOSCOW, May 9.

Following its removal of diplomatic recognition from the Norwegian and Belgian Missions at Moscow the Government of the U. S. S. R. has now informed the Yugoslav Legation that diplomatic recognition can no longer be extended to that mission.

The Soviet has notified the Norwegian and Belgian Legations that it can no longer give them diplomatic recognition in view of the fact that their countries "are no longer sovereign states".—Reuter.

YUGOSLAVIA'S GOLD RESERVES SAFE

LONDON, May 9.

Yugoslavia's gold reserves are in safe keeping partly in the United States and partly in Egypt, according to Yugoslav circles in Istanbul quoted by the Independent French Agency.—Reuter.

NO PASSPORT YET Vijayalaxmi's Visit To China

ALLAHABAD, May 9.

Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit, former Minister, U. P. Government, who proposed to visit China, has not yet received her passport.

She is interviewing Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in the Dehra Dun jail on the 13th instant. She will be going to Bombay in the third week of this month to attend the half yearly meeting of the All India Women's Conference. From there she will proceed to Almora. —A. P.

U. P. GOVT. TO PROSECUTE "NATIONAL HERALD"?

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, May 9.

It is understood the U. P. Government framed certain charges against the "National Herald" and before taking action against the paper. they forwarded these charges for consideration of the Press Advisory Committee.

The charges are said to relate to the anti-war policy of the paper.

On Eve Of Big Developments

STOCKHOLM, May 9.

Swedish papers regard M. Stalin's taking over the Premiership of the Soviet Union heralding important developments.—Reuter.

INSTIGATING WAR AGAINST GERMANY

Ex-C.-in-C. Of Greece And Permanent Secretary Of State Arrested

LONDON, May 9.

The arrest of Gen. Papagos, the former Greek Commander-in-Chief, and M. Mavroudis, permanent Secretary of State in the Greek Foreign Ministry, is announced in Athens according to the Istanbul correspondent of the Independent French Agency. They will be charged with having instigated war against Germany, the despatch adds.—Reuter.

Little Activity At Tobruk

LONDON, May 9.

There has been little activity at Tobruk on either side apart from activity in the air. A number of German aircraft have been shot down during the raids.—Reuter.

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Wanted a Mathematics Lady Graduate to teach Mathematics to the Matric and Pre-Matric classes in a Local Girls' School. Apply before the 15th May, 1941, to Box No. 14528, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted a Graduate (B. T. preferred) for Modasa High School with an educated wife duly qulified and competent to work as a Headmistress in the Modasa Mahajan Mahila Mandir. Apply with testimonials and certificates stating terms with full particulars as to their caste, religion age, pay etc. to the Chairman, Modasa Education Society, Modasa, (Dist. Ahmedabad). (14531)

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

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H. E. JONES,
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Bombay, Dated 3rd May, 1941. (14532)

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By order of the Board
P. N. JOSHI
Principal & Secretary.
9th May, 1941. 4997

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. KARAMSEY MULJI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client free from all incumbrances and claims the land hereditaments and premises described in the Schedule hereunder written.

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Public Notices

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For further particulars apply to the undersigned during Office hours on any working day except Saturday.

A. R. MANERIKAR,
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Bombay, 6th May, 1941. (4983)

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TENDERS for the supply of one power driven portable concrete mixer of 12 1|2 Cft. capacity as per the specification attached to the form of contract will be received upto 1 p.m. (Bombay Time) on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of June, 1941.

Tenders should be sealed and superscribed "Tender for one power-driven portable concrete mixer of 12 1|2 Cft. capacity", addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Municipal Chief Accountant with a deposit of Rs. 500.

Forms contract, specification, etc. can be had from the Office of the Mechanical Engineer, Municipal Workshops, Foras Road, Bombay, on payment of a fee of Re. 1|- each form which will, on no account, be refunded.

The Mechanical Engineer will on application, give any further information that may be required.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 8-5-1941. (4996)

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

INSOLVENCY No. 109 of 1941.
Re: SHANKERLAL V. PAREKH, residing at Kahan Bhuwan, Sandhurst Road and carrying on business at Bansilal Mansions, 41-A, Bruce Street, Bombay ..... A Debtor.
Ex parte: CHUGONLAL J. GANDHI: ..... Petitioning Creditor.

On the 6th day of May, 1941, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1941
S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar. (5001)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of MANGESH NARAYAN DESHPANDE, of Bombay, Goud Saraswat Brahmin, Hindu Inhabitant, doing business as Building Contractor, residing at Plot No. 86, Keluskar Road, Shivaji Park, Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

KRISHNAJI NARAYAN DESHPANDE, of Bombay, Goud Saraswat Brahmin, Hindu Inhabitant, doing business as Commission Agent and one of the Executors of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased, residing at 19, Navi Wadi, Dadyset Agiary Lane, Girgaum Road, outside the Fort of Bombay ... Petitioner.

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir PATRICK BLACKWELL, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 2nd day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-One and in the Fifth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary and Senior Master.
K. K. DASTUR,

The 2nd day of May, 1941.
P. M. WAGLE,
Petitioner's Attorney. (4995)

Public Notices

THE STEEL CORPORATION OF BENGAL, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors have sanctioned the half yearly payment of dividend due on the 5% Cumulative Preference Shares of the Corporation for the period ended 31st May, 1941 plus 1% arrear dividend up to the 31st May, 1938.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS for the Preference Shares of the Corporation will remain CLOSED from the 17th May to 31st May, 1941, both days inclusive. Payment will be made only to those Members whose names are registered in the books of the Corporation on the 16th May, 1941 or to their Mandatees.

No applications for warrants will be necessary. Claims on behalf of holders of shares held on blank transfers will not be entertained.

By Order of the Board,
BURN & Co.,
Managing Agents.
12, Mission Row, Calcutta.
The 9th May, 1941. (4994)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BAI RUTTONBAI, widow of Pallonji Cowasji Kavarana, Mr. NADIRSHAW PALLONJI KAVARANA, Mr. JEHANGIR PALLONJI KAVARANA and Mr. COWASJI PALLONJI KAVARANA all of Bombay, Parsi Inhabitants the Executrix and Executors of the last Will and Testament of Pallonji Cowasji Kavarana, deceased have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all incumbrances.

ALL persins having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office No. 41, Hammam Street, within the Fort of Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE
PROPERTY AT LONAVLA.

ALL that piece or parcel of vacant land, situate at Lonavla, within the Registration Pot Tukdi and Talooka Mawal Tukdi, Poona Zilla, Poona, bearing Survey Nos. 144 and 144B and City Survey Nos. 176B and 178B to the East of the compound of a portion of the said Survey Number which has been previously sold to Bai Dinbai Nowroji Cowasji Bamji and through which there is a way to Khatri Bridge admeasuring about Four Acres (assessment about rupees Nil and Annas Eight) and bounded as follows: That is to say, on or towards the East by the property now or formerly of Bhana Moti, on or towards the South by Poona Road, on or towards the West by the said compound of the portion of the said Survey Number sold to Bai Dinbai Nowroji Cowasji Bamji and on or towards the North by a brook and beyond that by land bearing Survey No. 123 of Tungarli Village and land bearing Survey No. 121.

PROPERTY AT TUNGARLI.

ALL that piece or parcel of vacant land, situate at Tungarli within the Registration Sub-District and Taluka Mawal Tukdi Poona, Zilla Poona, bearing Survey No. 123 and City Survey No. 214 admeasuring Eight Acres Thirty-Two Gunthas assessment Rupees Two Survey No. 126 and City Survey No. 213, admeasuring 12 Acres 20 Gunthas assessment Rupees Two and a portion of Survey No. 125 and City Survey No. 219, admeasuring Eighteen Acres Twenty-Four and a half Gunthas (after deducting Acres Five Gunthas Nine, Acres Two Gunthas Twenty-nine and Acres Nil Gunthas three and a half totalling Eight Acres One and a half Gunthas sold to others) assessment Rupees Two in all Thirty-nine Acres Thirty-six and a half Gunthas bounded as follows: That is to say, on or towards the East by land bearing Survey Nos. 127 and 122, on or towards the South partly by a brook and beyond that by land bearing Survey No. 144 of Lonavla and partly by the compound of land bearing Survey No. 125 which has been sold to Bai Dinbai Nowroji Cowasji Bamji, on or towards the West partly by the compound of land now or formerly of Dinbai Nowroji Cowasji Bamji and partly by the compound of St. Peter's Nursery School and partly by the boundary of Survey No. 124 and a brook and on or towards the North partly by a brook and beyond that the boundary of village Kupe.

Dated this 8th day of May, 1941.
R. E. PAPA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (4990)

Legal Notices

IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT JUDGE OF NAVSARI.

Misc. Application No. 57 of 1940-41.
(Under Act II of Samvat 1975.
The Baroda Companies Act.)

In the matter of the GANDEVI SUGAR WORKS & DISTILLERY CO., LTD., Gandevi, District Navsari.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition was on 29th April, 1941, presented to this Court by the above named Company to confirm the reduction of its capital and also an alteration in the Memorandum of Association of the said Company proposed to be effected by a special resolution adopted at an adjourned Extra Ordinary General Meeting of all the Shareholders of the same held on 20th April, 1941.

And Notice is further given that the said petition is directed to be heard on 18th June, 1941, and any person who is the creditor of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an order confirming the Special Resolution reducing the capital under the above Act, should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his pleader on the above date at 11-30 A. M. in the purpose.

The list of Creditors is filed with the said petition and copy of the same is available by paying Re. 1|- to the above Court or to the Company's Office at Gandevi.

M. R. SHUKLA,
Clerk of the Court.
Navsari dated, 7th May, 1941.
D. S. KATDARE,
Clerk. (4993)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 2258 of 1940

1. NANDAPPA THIMAPPA TUKRA and (2) CHANAPPA THIMAPPA TUKRA, both of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants, residing in Fort, Bombay on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of Thimma Tukra, deceased .... Plaintiffs.

vs.

1. BAI SUBBUBAI, widow of Thimma Tukra of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant at present temporarily residing at Mulur, South Canara and (2) BAI DARAGABAI, of Mulur, Hindu Inhabitant residing at Mulur, South Canara ..... Defendants.

To
The Creditors of Thimma Tukra, deceased.

PURSUANT to the Order made by the Honourable Mr. Justice Somjee on the 8th day of April, 1941, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under Order 1. Rule 8 of the Code of Civil Procedure that the Plaintiffs abovenamed have filed this suit on behalf of themselves and all the other creditors of the deceased Thimma Tukra for the following reliefs:—

(a) That the estate of the deceased Thimma Tukra may be administered by and under the directions of this Hon'ble Court.
(b) That an account may be taken of the amounts due to the plaintiffs and all other creditors of the deceased:
(c) That pending the hearing and final disposal of the suit a Receiver may be appointed to take charge of the estate and effects of the deceased and the rents and profits thereof with power to recover the sum of Rs. 1,000|- and the interest accrued due thereon from the Canara Bank Ltd., Bombay;
(d) That the Defendants may be restrained by an Order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from recovering the said sum of Rs. 1,000|- and the interest due thereon from the said Canara Bank Ltd., Bombay;
(e) That the costs of the Plaintiffs may be provided for; and
(f) That such further and other reliefs may be given as to this Hon'ble Court may seem fit.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the hearing of the suit has been fixed for the 7th day of July, 1941.

Dated this 29th day of April, 1941.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) G. G. MAHADEVIA
for Prothonotary & Senior Master.
(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR,

This 29th day of April, 1941.
Messrs. DHARAMSI DINKARRAU & NANDLAL,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys. (4988)

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Public Notices

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

LOST OR MISLAID.

SHARE CERTIFICATES in respect of 37½ Shares. Nos. 562436/470, 217831/832 and Coupon No. 6923 in the Central Bank of India, Limited, in the name of late Mr. Kamlapat, have been lost or mislaid. Any Claim in respect of these Shares should be notified within One month from date to the registered Office of the Bank Viz. The Central Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, BOMBAY, otherwise Duplicate Share Certificates will be issued to the heirs of above deceased.

Bombay, 9th May, 1941.

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Auction Sales

GANDHI & CO.
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AUCTION SALE OF ALL STOCK-IN-TRADE OF THE MODERN CALENDAR CO.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will under instructions from Messrs. Manilal Kher Ambalal & Co. Attorneys for Sheth Nagindas Bhogilal Shah, the Mortgagee and on account and at the risk of Manilal Bapuji Dalal, Proprietor of Modern Calendar Co., the Mortgagor, sell by Public Auction on Wednesday the 14th May 1941 at 2-30 P. M. (S. T.) at Kamar Building, Cawasji Patel Street, Fort:—

All Stock-in-Trade of the Modern Calendar Co., including Treadle Komet, English, Marathi and Gujarati Types, Proof and Type Cutting machine, Stitching machine, Mounting machines, large lot of Calcutta, Bombay, Japan, Continental and American Pictures, three Colour Blocks, card boards etc., also Office Furniture including Chairs, Tables, Stands, etc.,

The above goods will be on view two days before the date of Sale.

Terms:—25 per cent Deposit.

AUCTION SALE OF TALKIE FILM "MY CHOICE" PRODUCED BY THE MAYA MOVIETONE.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will under instructions from Messrs. Dikshit Maneklal & Co., Attorneys for Mr. Morarji Jeram, the Receiver appointed in Suit No. 2016 of 1935 (Morarji Jeram vs. Gajanan Mahadeo Mahadik and another) and pursuant to the directions contained in the Decree dated 12th day of November 1937 passed in the above Suit, sell by Public Auction, on Thursday, the 15th May 1941 at 3 P. M. (S. T.) at their Auction Rooms at No. 72, Medows Street, Fort.

The Talkie Film entitled "My Choice" produced by the Maya Movietone consisting of 25 Reels of Negative and Sound (12 Reels Negative pictures, 12 Reels sound and 1 Reel title) and 17 Reels of rush positive prints and cut pieces.

For further Particulars please apply to Messrs. Dikshit Maneklal & Co., Attorneys for the Vendors at their Office at No. 23, Medows Street, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT PANCHGANI.

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY KNOWN AS "MANEK VILLA" AT PANCHGANI, DISTRICT SATARA.

Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers will, under instructions from Mr. Varjivandas Vanmalidas Shanghavi, the Receiver appointed in the High Court Suit No. 817 of 1940 (Varjivandas Vanmalidas Shanghavi and others vs. Girdharlal Rangildas and others) pursuant to the Consent Decree passed in the said Suit on the 22nd day of January 1941 sell by Public Auction the undermentioned Valuable Immovable Property known as "Manek Villa" on Sunday the 11th May, 1941, at 3 P.M. (S. T.), on the premises at Panchgani.

ALL that piece of land with three bungalows known as "Manek Villa" (exclusive of the movable furniture lying in upon or about the property) and situate at Panchgani, bearing bungalow No. 115, City Survey No. 55/3 containing by admeasurement about one acre and 30 gunthas situate on the east side of Mahableshwar Road and bounded on the East by a Hill called "Table Land" marked as City Survey No. 57, on the West by the plot No. 55 belonging to Bhau Ramji and others, on the North by the Road called "Tiger Path" and on the South by plot No. 56/3 exclusively belonging to Girdharlal Rangildas.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale please apply to Messrs. Hiralal M. Mehta & Co., Attorneys for the Receiver at their Office at Cama Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay or to the Undersigned.

GANDHI & Co.

Auction Sales

BENNETT & CO.

Under instructions from the Deputy Custodian of Enemy Property, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction TO-DAY SATURDAY 10th May 1941 at 2 p.m. (S.T.) at the premises of Messrs. F. Cornaglia & Co., No. 133/35 at the junction of Esplanade Rd. and Forbes Street the following property of Italian Provision Co. vested in the Custodian of Enemy Property.

Avery's Weighing (table) scale Writing table. Show cases, Wooden stands separate and fixed in the wall. Clock, Partition large marble top counter etc

BENNETT & CO.

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AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 11-30 a.m. (S. T.), at Kapadia Building, Kalbadevi Road, Near Swadeshi Market of complete Bungalow furniture, Godrej Safe, Double mirror door Steel Cabinet, Chasterfield sets, Rajvanshi Zula, Portable Typewriter, A. C. & D. C. Fans, Singer Machine, H. M. V. Gramophone, Remington Typewriter, English Ice Box, Harmoniums, Dining table and Chairs, Show cases, Wardrobes, etc.

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Steamers.	Arrive Bombay	Leave Bombay
TOYOOKA MARU	24 Apr.	16 May
*HAKONE MARU†	1 May	17 May
GENOA MARU	21 May	6 June
OKITU MARU	26 May	10 June
*HUSIMI MARU†	13 June	27 June
*ANYO MARU	28 June	14 July
TOKIWA MARU	16 July	31 July

*Passenger steamer.
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ON THE AIR

SATURDAY, MAY 10

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Master Nawal. 5-15 Mohammad Shafi. 5-30 Mohammad Ismail 5-40 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Azim Prem Ragi. 6-30 Dhani on the violin. 6-40 Do Bhajan. 6-55 Bhajan Lal 7 Ramzan Khan. 7-15 Rafta-i-Zamana. 7 30 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 7-50 Bhopali on the sarangi. 7-55 Mohammad Ismail. 8 Lest we forget. 2. 8-15 For villagers only. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9 30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Khushi. 10-15 Azim Prem Ragi. 10-30 Mohammad Ahmad. 10-45 News in English.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 8-5 a.m. As in Delhi 2. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Delhi 2. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-20 As in Delhi 2. 9-20 A.R.P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

11-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5 35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani 6-10 Variety programme. 7 Talk. 7-15 Indian music. 7 25 Local news and announcements. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Indian music 8 45 Instrumental music. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

5 p.m. Sukdev Mukerjee. 5-20 Chhabirani Chatterjee. 5-30 Sachindra Nath Saha. 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Chhabirani Chatterjee. 6 News in English. 6-5 Kamal Sarkar. 6 20 Mazdur. 6-50 Anath Nath Bose. 7 Pulin Pal. 7-20 Anath Nath Bose. 7-30 Geeta Bose. 7-50 Anath Nath Bose. 8 Abhisar 8-40 Announcements in Bengali, 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 Angus Rotchel. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 Dance music.

Madras I—Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

4 p.m For women. 4 30 Your programme. 5 Shrimati Malati. 5-15 As in Trichinopoly. 6 News in English. 6-5 Orchestral variety. 6-30 Compositions of Swati Tirunal. 7 Turn back the clock. 2. 7-10 Commercial news. 7-20 News in Telugu. 7-35 News in Tamil. 7-50 Semmangudi R. Srinivasa Iyer. 9-15 Local news and announcements. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Topical talk.

"INDIAN TROOPS IN ITALIAN AFRICA"

Translation of a talk on "Indian Troops in Italian East Africa" given recently from Delhi by Maj.-Gen. L. M. Heath, will be broadcast in Marathi and Gujarati from Bombay. The first talk was given on Friday and the other will be given to-day (Saturday) at 8-45 p.m. The talk should be of special interest to listeners in Bombay as Maj.-Gen. L. M. Heath is commanding Marathi Battalions. Mr. S. R. Tikekar will give it in Marathi and Mr. B. B. Vyas in Gujarati.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE
G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M	Dep. H.M
Madras Mail	6-00	22-00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22 45
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	11-30	17-40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19-30	08-05
Allahabad Express	20-25	07-00
Poona Fast Passenger	21-45	12-10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.
(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-05
Delhi Express	5-00	22-15
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Kathiawar Mail	6-50	21-30
Frontier Mail	8-15	21-15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9-15	15-35
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9-48	15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	00-00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00-00	18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	23-30
Kathiawar Express	19-05	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-48	9-00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, May 9

Castorseeds May—		
Opening	Rs.	29 10 0
Highest		29 14 0
Lowest		29 10 0
Closing		29 13 0
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening		20 0 6
Highest		20 3 6
Lowest		20 0 0
Closing		20 2 6
Groundnuts May—		
Opening		27 6 0
Highest		27 14 6
Lowest		27 0 0
Closing		27 14 6
Groundnuts August—		
Opening		28 12 0
Highest		29 6 6
Lowest		28 12 0
Closing		29 5 6
Castorseeds September—		
Opening		31 6 0
Highest		31 12 0
Lowest		31 6 0
Closing		31 11 0
Cottonseeds September—		
Opening		20 11 6
Highest		20 13 0
Lowest		20 11 6
Closing		20 12 0

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay, May 9

Yarn No. 6 1/2s June 136 August 137 October 138
Yarn No. 10 1/2s June 148 August 149 October 150
Yarn No. 20 1/2s June 218 1/2 August 220 1/2 October 222
Yarn No 40s June 323 August 325 October 327

Warning Against Excessive Speculation In Cotton Futures

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET IMPROVES AFTER EARLY DROP

Encouraging Dry Goods Reports

BOMBAY, May 9.

As a result of warning from the Agricultural Department against excessive speculation in futures prices on the New York Cotton Exchange declined on general realising. But with encouraging dry goods report, the market rallied and closed very steady.

The "Journal of Commerce" estimates acreage under cotton cultivation at 24,290,000 acres. The New York cotton market early was lower on the Agricultural Department's warning but rallied on encouraging cloth market reports.

Cotton is technically vulnerable with reports that Army's textile needs are diminishing but further heavy civilian forward purchases of textiles reflect buyers' anxiety to cover future supplies. 85 per cent loan would mean fully 13.50 cents

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened barely steady on Thursday. Prices declined on Spot House and Southern selling, liquidation and sharp pick-up in Spot sales. Prices thereafter rallied on increased mill and trade buying and replacement buying but met scale-up spot selling.

Now it seems certain that the loan next year will be nothing below 12 cents and naturally there will be no selling pressure under this level. Recently the cloth market is having large sales and cotton consumption is bound to reach a record level.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened at a decline of 8 points with July 11.99. There was scattered selling and July was quoted 11.96 which was the lowest level. Thereafter the market improved sharply under renewed buying and July advanced 25 points from the lowiest level and was quoted 12.21 which was the highest level. Prices again eased off and finally closed at a net decline of one point to a rise of 9 points. Spot cotton prices declined one point at 12.33c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton market was also very active and finally closed at a rise of 4 to 7 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 6 points at 11.97c. per lb

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest (12-41 p.m.) ..... 12.21+14
New York July lowest (10 a.m.) ..... 11.96—11

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Market opened weak on hedge selling and long liquidation. Later improved on trade and local buying.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, May 8

May	12.09—01
July	12.10+03
October	12.27+09
December	12.33+08
January	12.32+07
March	12.3408+08
Middling Spot	12.33—01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, May 8

May	12.19+04
July	12.22+06
October	12.33+05
December	12.37+07
January	12.33+05
March	12.39+09
Middling Spot	11.97+06

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, May 8
11 a.m. call

May	11.98
July	12.01
October	12.13

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, May 8
Bales

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	9,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil

LONDON SEEDS
London, May 8

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe May/June	quoted 20/9
Wheat Barletta Russo May/June	quoted 21
Wheat South Australian May/June	quoted 27/6

LONDON RUBBER
London, May 8

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb buyer 14 1/8

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 9

The market opened lower in sympathy with cotton but as trading progressed the lower rates attracted buying interest and the market closed with a steady tone. Tata Deferreds opened at 1725 and after declining to 1715 improved to 1730 at the close. Tata Ordinaries opened at 361 and after touching 358 reacted finally to 361. Bombay Dyeings were steady around 980. Indian Irons were slightly better at 27-14.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:—

Tata Defereds (1730) 1725 1715 1730
Tata Ordinaries (361-8) 361 358 361
Tata Ordinary 361; Tata Deferred 1730; Indian Iron 27/14; Bombay Dyeing 980; Century 360; Central India 272/8; Kohinoor 377/8; Associated Cement 132; Bombay Burma 420; Scindia Steam 19/2; Tata Hydro 172/8; Reserve Bank 102/8; Imperial Bank F P 1530 Central Bank 41/10; Bank of India 137; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/6

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 8

Broach A/M highest 257 lowest 251 closing 252 1/2
Broach J/A highest 230 lowest 225 1/4 closing 227 1/4
Broach A/M 1942 highest 212 1/2 lowest 210 closing 210 1/2
Oomra May highest 160 1/2 lowest 158 3/4 closing 158 3/4
Oomra July highest 162 lowest 160 1/4 closing 160 1/4
Oomra D/J highest 166 lowest 164 1/4 closing 165 1/2
Bengal May highest 122 1/2 lowest 120 1/2 closing 121 1/2
Bengal July highest 125 lowest 123 1/2 closing 124 1/2
Bengal D/J highest 132 1/2 lowest 130 1/2 closing 131 1/2

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, May 9

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—
From Bond Rs. 10-10-0
Shipment March Rs 9-8-0 F B H
Shipment May-June Rs. 9-5-0 F B H
Indian sugars ready:—
Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-0-0 to 14-11-0
Ready (large grain) Rs 14-12-0 to 15-12-0
Tone:—Quiet

BANK OF ENGLAND WEEKLY RETURNS

London, May 8

	This week
Total bullion	£ 1,800,000
Public deposits	12,200,000
(a) Other deposits	167,500,000
Government securities	102,500,000
(b) Other securities	39,100,000
Notes and coin	55,900,000
Notes in circulation	626,000,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	31.07 p.c.
(a) Other deposits include bankers	113,600,000
(b) Other securities include discounts	19,400,000
Total deposits	179,700,000
Total securities	141,600,000

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, May 9

Bengal Fine	120-21
Berar	158 61
C P. 1	190-92
C P. 2	165-68
Khandesh	130-42
Muglai	145-48
Broach	246-51
Punjab S. G. 289 F	356-66
Punjab R. G. 289 F	331-35
Punjab R. G 4 F	271-78

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 8

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Madrid	40.50
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	16.85/16.95

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, May 9.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/1852 Loan 97-5
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95-6
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-6
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99-10
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-6
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-5
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108-5
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-4
3 per cent War Bonds 101-12
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 112-12

TAX FREE LOANS
5 per cent 1954/55 Loan 110-12
4 per cent 1963/65 Mysore 115
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES
4 per cent B P T 1941 108
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 115-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 127
6 per cent K P T 1956 127

Tone:—Firm

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 9

LONDON:—
Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 two months.
Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 three months
Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 9/32 four months.
B. C. RATES:—
T T 1/5 29/32; D D 1/5 29/32
Banks selling T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5,15/16
Banks buying T T 1/6d; D D 1/6 3/32
NEW YORK:—
Banks selling T T 333 1/4; D D 333 1/4
Banks buying T T 330; D D 328 1/2
MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T 303; D D 304
Banks buying T T 297 3/4; D D 296 1/4
JAVA:—
Banks selling T T 55 3/4; D D 56
Banks buying T T 57 1/2; D D 57 1/2
JAPAN:—
Banks selling T T 81 1/2; D D 81 1/2
Banks buying T T 77 1/4; D D not quoted
BERNE:—
Banks selling T T 126 3/4; D D 126 3/4
Banks buying T T 131; D D 131
STOCKHOLM:—
Banks selling T T 123; D D 123
Banks buying T T 128; D D 128
SINGAPORE:—
Banks selling T T 158; D D 158
Banks buying T T 156; D D 155
HONGKONG:—
Banks selling T T 85 1/4; D D 84 1/2
Banks buying T T 81 1/2; D D 81 1/2
SHANGHAI:—
Banks selling T T 20; D D 19
Banks buying T T 17; D D 17
MEXICO:—
Banks selling T T 67.27; D D 66.27
Banks buying T T 63.04; D D 62.04
LISBON:—
Banks selling T T 7.35; D D 7.35
Banks buying T T 7.55; D D 7.55
CROSS RATES:—
London/New York Dol. 4 02 1/2-3 1/2
London/Montreal Dol. 4.43/47
London/Java Glds. 7.58/62
London/Japan Sh 1/2 1/2
London/Berne Fcs 17.30/40
London/Stockholm K. 16.85/95
Singapore/London Sh. 2/4 5/32-7/32
Hongkong/London Sh 1/3 1/32
Shanghai/London Sh. 0/3 3/8
Mexico/London Pes 19.5-21.5
Lisbon/London Esc 99.80-100.20
New York/London Dol. 4.03 1/4
JAPAN:—
Bank's buying 60 days st. 75 1/2
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent
Reserve Bank rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call 1/4 per cent
1 to 3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent
Tone of Money Market:—Easy.

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below New York May 236 cent points at 331
Broach J/A below New York July 334 cent points at 331
New Broach A/M below New York March 423 cent points at 331

Share Bazar Rules Quiet

SCATTERED SELLING IN STEELS AND TEXTILES

Absence Of Incentive

Bombay, May 9

The local share bazar opened quiet and declined under moderate liquidation on war news but at the decline there was moderate buying and prices recovered to the opening level. It appears that the local market is acting cautiously and in view of war developments the market is hesitant with quick turns.

Wall Street stocks oscillated narrowly with the session closing steady. A few favourites fractioned up but oils aircrafts and motors sagged with war and tax fears overbalancing favourable business news. Moreover there was sympathetic caution with the halt in the upswing of commodities after the agricultural department warning against excessive speculative in futures. U. S. Steel shares closed 5/8 down at 52 3/4 dollars and Anaconda Copper Mining shares improved 1/8 at 24 1/4 dollars.

In the local market Tata Steel Defd shares opened to-day at Rs. 1765 and declined to Rs. 1745. At this level there was moderate buying and prices rallied to Rs. 1165. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 363 and after declining to Rs. 360 improved to Rs. 362. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1012 and after declining to Rs. 1007 improved to Rs. 1015. Later on business was very restricted and quotations fluctuated within a narrow range with quiet tone.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, May 9

Bombay Dyeing (1017/8) 1012 1007 1017
Century (383) 382 377 384 385
Central India (285) 283 284 285 284
Kohinoor (390) 388 385 393 391 393
New Great (380) 367 375 370
Simplex (97/8) 96
Swadeshi (278) 274 272 283 280 281
Associated Cement (136/8) 135/8 136/4 135
Andhra (1885) 1885
Tram Ord (132/8) 132/8
Tata Hydro (175) 175
Tata Power (1560) 1560 1562 1560
T Steel Defd (1776/4) 1765 1745 1765 1775
T Steel Ord (364) 363 364 360 363/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (146/8) 146/8
Bellapur (204) 202
B Steam (305) 305
B Burma (440) 435 432 440 437 438 437

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, May 9.

100	Ahm. Advance	.....	274 8
250	BOMBAY DYEING	.....	1017 8
100	CENTURY	...	385 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	...	284 0
100	COLABA	...	165 0
100	Coorla	.....	100 0
250	Dawid	.....	37 8
250	Dawn	.....	322 8
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	...	0 13 0
100	FINLAY	....	176 0
100	GOKAK X.D.	....	191 0
1000	Hindustan	...	2190 0
100	Indore	.....	75 0
100	Khatau	.....	131 0
100	KOHINOOR	.....	393 0
250	LAXMI X.D.	.....	473 12
100	MORARJI	.....	205 0
250	Model	.....	84 0
50	MYSORE	.....	110 0
200	NEW GREAT	.....	370 0
100	Oosmanshani	.....	60 0
100	Phoenix	.....	280 0
25	Sassoon Silk	...	82 0
1000	Sholapur	.....	2825 0
50	SIMPLEX	.....	96 0
100	SWADESHI	.....	281 0
100	SWAN	.....	181 0
500	Vishnu X. D.	.....	1207 8
1000	Western	...	1150 0

BANKS

50-100	BARODA	...	106 12
25-50	CENTRAL	.....	41 8
500	IMPERIAL	...	1532 8
125-500	Imp. Contrys.	...	372 8
50-100	India	.....	139 0
100	RESERVE BANK	...	102 4
5	UNION	.....	6 4 6

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	.....	136 4

INSURANCE

100	Empire	.....	652 8
15-100	JUPITER	.....	13 8
20	Mercantile	.....	62 8
15-75	NEW INDIA	.....	41 8
200	Oriental	.....	3880 0
10-50	Vulcan	.....	8 8

ELECTRIC

100	AHMD. OLD	...	175 0
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	...	1885 0
10	AJMER	.....	12 1
50	BUMBAY TRAM	.....	132 8
100	Bombay Suburban	.....	185 0
10	Broach	.....	13 2
100	Karachi	...	215 4
100	Poona	.....	214 6
100	Surat	.....	176 4
100	TATA HYDRO	.....	175 0
1000	TATA POWER	.....	1560 0

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Frantij	...	862 8
100	C Province	.....	104 12
100	Dhond Baramati	.....	104 4
100	Gujarat	.....	100 0
100	Mandra Bhon	.....	104 0
100	Pachora Jamner	.....	63 8
100	Sara Siraiganj	.....	103 0
500	Tapti Valley	.....	646 4

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	...	4 3
10	Indian Copper	...	1 15 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	...	27 14
10	SHIVRAJPUR	...	30 0
30	TATA STEEL DEF.	...	1775 0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	...	363 8
10	Steel Corporation	...	17 4

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	.....	542 8
10	Air Services	.....	3 8
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	.....	202 8
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	.....	595 0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	.....	305 0
125	B. Burma	.....	437 8
50	B. Burma Cont.	.....	150 0
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	.....	3 2 0
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	.....	86 0
100	IND. BLEACHING	...	127 0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	...	44 0
100	Indian Radio Def.	.....	530 0
100	Indian Radio Ord.	.....	525 10
100	Port Canning	.....	87 12
30	PREMIER CON.	.....	86 0
15	SCINDIA	.....	19 3
25	Tata Oil	.....	38 0
100	Wimco	.....	203 0

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	1540 0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	.....	313 12
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T. F.)	.....	76 0
5	p.c. Central India (T. F.)	.....	637 0
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	.....	116 0
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 2nd	...	108 8
7	p.c Tata Hydro	.....	154 8
7	1/2 p.c Tata Power	.....	1571 4
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	.....	215 0
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	...	146 4
7	p.c. Vishnu	.....	753 12

DEBENTURES

3	3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	101 4
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	...	101 4
4	p.c Bom Telephone	...	51 8
5	p.c. Sholapur	.....	71 2

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 9

Following a rise of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened today at Rs. 226 for Broach J/A delivery and improved to Rs. 226/8. At this level there was increased selling and prices declined to Rs. 224/8. There was renewed buying and prices improved to Rs. 226/8. New Broach A/M after declining to Rs. 208/8 improved to Rs. 210. This contract is the cheapest and those who may run practically little risk. Old Broach A/M contract was at Rs. 251. The market being cornered is likely to be very sensitive in the third week.

Later on there was heavy selling and prices declined to Rs. 223 for July/August. At this level Khelawalas came forward and bought July/August, so prices improved to Rs. 225 for July/August. At the close, there was fresh selling and the market declined to Rs. 224/12 for July/August. At 5 p.m. the rates were as under:—

F G M G BROACH—

April/May 1941	Rs.	251 12	0
July/August		224 12	0
April/May 1942		209 4	0

FINE M G OOMRA—

May		160 8	0
July		162 0	0
December/January		165 8	0

F G M G BENGAL—

May		122 8	0
July		125 0	0
December/January		132 8	0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, May 9

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		128	126	124	122
M G Punjab		128	126	124	122
M G Rajputana		133	131	129	127
M G Oomra No. 3	167	164	161	158	
M G C P No. 1	199	196	193	190	
M G C P No. 2	177	174	173	168	
M G Broach No. 2		258	255	252	249
M G Punjab-Ameri		298	295	292	289
M G Surat		369	366	363	360
M G Rajpipla		364	361	358	355
M G Navsari		379	376	373	370

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, May 9

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Khandesh	.....	97,680	54,216
Central India	448	135,315	106,208
Barsi and Nagar	130	108,538	111,301
Hyderabad/Gaorani	434	41,513	46,595
Berar	321	356,325	308,907
Central Provinces	313	75,059	74,596
Total Oomras	1,646	814,430	702,323
Dholeras	77	81,997	77,468
N W Provinces	.....	1,306	25,388
Rajputana	.....	5,496	31,521
Sind-Punjab	2,699	502,683	334,638
Bro

NEW YORK COTTON 25 POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES
JULY 1941
New York: May 9.

Previous closing	12.10
To-day's opening	12.14
Difference	+.04
To-day's closing	12.35
Difference	+.25

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 256/0
Broach July/August	Rs. 229/0
Broach April/May 1942	Rs. 213/8

NEW YORK COTTON
New York: May 9.

New York cotton displayed more cheerful feeling with anticipation of favourable Washington developments bolstering sentiment. Trading in July began at 12.14, i.e. 4 points higher. Prices advanced on good trade support and covering with upward trend well maintained.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—
May (11.98/98) 12.15/15
July (11.99/96) 12.14/14
October (12.08/05) 12.31/31

LONDON COMMODITIES
London: May 9.

Castorseeds unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta May June (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16
Linseed La Plata June (£11 3/4 quoted) £11 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal May June (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4

JUTES
Dundee May (£47) £47
Lightning May (£43) £43

RUBBER
Spot (14 1/4d) 14 1/4d
Forward July/Septr. (14 1/8d value) 14 1/8d paid.

LONDON METALS
Tin (£270 1/4 buyers; £270 3/4 sellers) £270 1/2 buyers; £271 sellers.
Electrolytic Copper (£52) £52
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: May 9.

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To-day's opening	4.03 1/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: May 9.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES
London: May 9.

London Exchange opened with the sterling/dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50, which is officially fixed rate.

LONDON BULLION
LONDON SILVER
London: May 9.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23-1/2d nil.
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil

LONDON GOLD
London: May 9.

London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 31/32) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay not quoted.
New York on Milan not quoted.
New York on Bombay (30.30) 30.30
London on Shanghai (0-3 1/16 to 0-3 3/8) 0-3 1/16 to 0-3.3/8
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS
London: May 9.

There was no trading during the night session.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
New York: May 9.

New York Stock Exchange quotations are not yet to hand at 2-30 a.m. (Saturday.)

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London: May 9.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London: May 9.

London Stock Exchange maintained a firm tone.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: May 9.

5 per cent 1958/68 (£104 3/4) £104 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£78 5/8) £78 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 1/2) £104 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 1/8) £113 1/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£103 7/8) £103 7/8
New War Loan (£100 1/2) £100 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£111 7/8) £111 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (10-10 1/2) 10-10 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (30-4½) 30-4½
Hydro Electric No dealings
Electric Music Industry (7-4 1/2) 7-4 1/2
Princhin Johnson (17-4 1/2) 17-6
Imperial Chemicals (30 6) 30-6
Woolsworth New Ordinary (47-9) 47-9
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates (£49 1/2) £49
Dundee Rubber (33-9) 34-0
Unilever Ordinary (20-3) 20-1 1/2
Ford Motors (17-9) 17-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£62 3/4) £63
British American Tobacco Ordinary (87 6) 87-6
Carreas 'A' (£3 3/4) £3 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (91-10 1/2) 92 6
P and O Def (22-7 1/2) 22-7 1/2
Distillers (63-0) 63-3
Bredfords Dye (3.6) 3.6
British Celanese (3-7 1/2) 3-6
J and P Coates (29-0) 29-0
Courtaulds Ordinary (31-0) 31-7 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-6) 2-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary (15-0) 15-0
Inter Nickel (dol 40) dol 39 3/4
Indian Iron (41-3) 41-10 1/2

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (17-6) 17-6
Donaro Tea (29-4 1/2) 28-9
Empire of India (20-0) 20-0

JUTE

Barnagore (£7) £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (13-9) 13-9
Gula Kelampong (15-0) 15-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (24-7 1/2) 24-9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (16-10 1/2) 17-6
Burma Corporation (6-1 1/2) 6-3
Rio Tintos (£7) £7
East Rand Properties (39-4 1/2) 39-4 1/2
Rand Mines (£6 7/8) £7

MINE SHARES

Crown (£11 5/8) £11 5/8
Associated Portland Cement (48-9) 48-9
Trinidad Leasehold (64-4 1/2) 65-7 1/2
Sub Nigel (£7 1/8) £7 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (21-3) 21-3
Union Corporation (£6 3/4) £6 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-3) 26-3
Anglo-India (26-10 1/2) 28-1 1/2
Burma Oil (46-3) 47-6
Mexican Eagle (6-7 1/2) 6-9
Shell Transport (40-7 1/2) 40-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£16) £16

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£33 3/4) £33 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£12 6/9) £12 7½
London North Eastern Def (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£9 7/8) £10
London Transport 5 per cent (£126) £126
London Transport 'C' (£30) £30

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 8

The recent firm tendency was maintained, especially among industrials where Dunlops were quoted at thirty-three and nine against thirty-three shillings on dividend anticipation and electrical equipments were featured. Giltedged recorded small gains but closed below the best. Debeers improved on increased profits while Tin shares also hardened. Among foreigners Egyptians responded to improved inquiry. Oils were quiet and Kaffirs mostly firm.

Wall Street quiet.

Position Of Scheduled Banks

Statement of the position of scheduled banks as at the close of business on 2nd May, 1941.

1. Demand Liabilities:	
(a) In India	174,63,85,000
(b) In Burma	9,60,14,000
2. Time Liabilities:	
(a) In India	101,60,35,000
(b) In Burma	3,99,94,000
3. Cash:	
i. Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes:	
(a) In India	9,81,66,000
(b) In Burma	93,000
ii. Burma Notes:	
(a) In India	46,000
(b) In Burma	59,80,000
iii. Rupee Coin:	
(a) In India	1,13,97,000
(b) In Burma	1,12,000
iv. Subsidiary Coin:	
(a) In India	33,69,000
(b) In Burma	40,000
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	25,69,12,000
5. Advances:	
(a) In India	124,80,27,000
(b) In Burma	6,63,29,000
6. Bills Discounted:	
(a) In India	6,59,05,000
(b) In Burma	16,92,000

Comparative statement of the position of scheduled banks.
(In thousand Rupees)

	2-5-1941	25-4-1941	3-5-1940	1-9-1939
1. Demand liabilities				
In India	184,23,99	182,88,88	149,83,38	141,39,78
In Burma	(9,60,14)	(9,84,45)	(7,70,42)	(7,03,29)
2. Time liabilities in India and Burma	106,60,29 (3,99,94)	105,36,54 (4,00,21)	113,24,05 (3,75,90)	106,46,46 (4,22,12)
3. Total cash				
In India	8,92,03	9,11,51	6,81,45	7,29,82
& Burma	(62,25)	(57,01)	(26,11)	(59,37)
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	25,69,12	28,01,46	19,67,74	25,27,75
5. Advances				
In India	131,43,56	130,53,57	153,44,45	106,55,08
& Burma	(6,63,29)	(5,84,49)	(5,24,44)	(4,12,92)
6. Bills discounted in India	6,75,97	6,71,09	6,89,63	3,86,74
& Burma	(16,92)	(15,10)	(29,31)	(29,45)

(Burma figures are shown in brackets).

All-India Weather

POONA: May 9.

There have been fairly widespread thundershowers in Kashmir. Tundershowers also occurred locally in Assam, Bengal and Chota Nagpur and at a few stations in Bihar, South Deccan, Mysore and Malabar.

Chief amounts of rainfall were: Bogra and Sonamarg 3 inches; Barisal and Dras 2 each; Darjeeling, Jessore and Mymensingh 1 each; Chittagong and Narayanganj 3/4 each; Cherrapunji Cox's Bazar, Dinajpur, Skardu and Trivandrum 1/2 each; Silchar, Hazaribagh, Purnea, Srinagar, Leh, Gadag, Mercara and Ootacamund 1/4 each.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. of 9-5-1941.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.007 inches
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 84.8 degrees
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 78.7 degrees
Maximum temperature during 24 hours 92.0 degrees 1.4 above normal
Minimum temperature during 24 hours 81.4 degrees 3.1 above normal
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 75 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. ENE
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 5 miles per hour
Total movement of wind in 24 hours 175 miles
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 15 miles per hour
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 9

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 9-5-41

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8.46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 86.4 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.03 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.81 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

BIG YIELD ON BOMBAY TALKIES' FILMS

A nett profit of Rs. 90,737/7/0 was shown in the annual report and Balance sheet for the year ended 31st Oct. 1940, adopted at the sixth annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Bombay Talkies, Ltd., on Friday. "Bandhan" and "Punarmilan," the two feature films produced by the Company during the last year as well as some propaganda films produced for various clients, brought in a substantial yield.

A dividend of 7 per cent per annum was declared for a three-year period on preference shares.

A bonus to the staff was also sanctioned at the rate of a half-month's pay.

In the absence of Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, the Chairman of the Company, Mr. Chunilal B. Mehta presided over the general meeting.

More Commodities Under Import Control

SIMLA: May 9.

In view of the increasing necessity for conserving exchange in respect of countries outside the sterling area and particularly, the U.S.A., the Government of India states a Press Note, have issued to-day a further notification extending the existing system of import control to a number of other commodities. The full list comprising some 50 items, appears in the Gazette of India.

In the same Gazette appears an amendment of the open general licence covering imports of goods to replace re-exported goods designed to secure that the whole series of transactions does not involve a net loss to India's Foreign Exchange resources.—A. P.

Fair Maximum Prices Of Burma Rice

The Government of Bombay has notified the following fair maximum prices of leading varieties of Burma rice for wholesale and retail sales in Bombay City, effective from Saturday, May 10, until further notice:—

Description of Quality.	Fair wholesale selling tail prices of importers. Rate for 168lbs. Rs.as.	Fair retail prices of ces. Rate per Paylee As.ps.
Bassein Small Mills	11 2	8 0
Amba More No. 1	12 11	9 3
Amba More No. 2	12 8	9 0
Halwa (Khanauto)	11 7	8 3
Madhia Mandla	12 13	9 3
Mandia Ordinary	12 6	9 0
Sugandhi No. 1	12 11	9 0
Sugandhi No. 2	12 4	8 9
Europe Quality	11 4	8 6
Special	11 0	8 0
Rangoon Small Mills	11 7	8 3

Wholesale rates will be five annas less in C.I.F. sales for reshipment from docks. When delivered thence in railway wagons, carts or lorries for carriage inland, this rate will be two annas less. When sold by Vakharias and Chhaparias a maximum margin of six annas over the wholesale rate is allowed. The retail rates are for cash purchases.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, May 9

1755 bales old newspapers; 280 kegs wire nails; 4195 pcs douglas fir lumber; 323 drums glucose; 55 cases cud hams; 44 cts tissue paper; 1060 pcs rails; 150 cases cud sardines; 185 cases brandy; 106 bundles splice bars; 128 coils manila rope; 459 D/Johns acetic acid; 200 boxes auto tubes; 300 pcs auto and tyres; 1120 bags infusorial earth; 35 bundles printing paper; 125 cases steel chain; 1761 bales wrapping paper; 3533 pkgs news print paper; 32 bags betelnuts; 678 coils m s strip; 369 cases cotton pcegoods; 45 cases cotton yarn; 300 kegs steel rivets; 60 cases tobacco; 850 pkgs commercial chassis (completely disassembled); 5150 pkgs tea; 200 drums arrack; 614 cases steel bolts and nuts; 263 cases quinine; 667 bags sulphur; 6983 bales cotton.

EXPORTS

25 bales cotton twist waste V A Save and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Lalji Ramji and Co; 838 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha Ltd; 1280 bags gr nut kernels The East Asiatic Co (India); 4147 bags linseeds The Oilseeds Trading Co Ltd; 3000 tons manganese ore James Finlay and Co Ltd; 535 bales hemp raw Tayeballi Dawoodbhai; 200 bales cotton waste G M Vyas and Co; 48 bales rough tanned leather (cowhides) Ralli Bros Ltd; 900 tons pig iron Indian Iron and Steel Co Ltd; 50 bags talcum powder P M Shah and Co; 50 bags talcum powder Chudgar and Co; 10 bales cotton fents The Central Trading Co; 50 bales cotton pcegoods B M P Goveas; 71 bales cotton pcegoods N M Bros and Co; 35 bales cotton pcegoods K H Hillel; 60 bales cotton pcegoods Virchand Panachand and Co; 50 bales cotton g m yarn Textile Exports Ltd; 183 bales cotton pcegoods A E Maskati; 50 bales cotton pcegoods Shamji Hirji; 142 bales cotton yarn Shamji Hirji; 40 bales cotton pcegoods Keshavji Virji and Co; 80 bales cotton pcegoods Chandrakant Ujamshibhoy; 45 bales cotton pcegoods Italindia Cotton Co Ltd; 104 bales cotton grey yarn G N Musry; 556 bales cotton pcegoods G N Musry; 176 bales cotton g m yarn R E Ani; 109 bales cotton pcegoods R E Ani; 80 bales cotton pcegoods Hariram Khiaram; 20 bags sandlewood The Bombay Steam Navigation Co Ltd; 14 bags gum Mavani and Sons; 14 bags gum Manekji and Co; 50 bales cotton waste Manubhai Narotamdas and Co.

Trunk Telephone

CONCESSIONAL RATE FOR PRESS MESSAGES

Experimental Period To Be Extended: Govt.'s Decision

SIMLA, May 9.

It is announced that the Government of India have decided to extend the experimental period for the special press concessional rate for press messages sent over telephone trunks between midnight and 6 a.m. by another year. This is up to the 31 March, 1942.

The Press concessional rate is one-third of the ordinary full trunk call rates, subject to a minimum charge as for six minutes. If there are no other calls waiting at the time such calls are made they are permitted to continue as long as desired. Otherwise they are limited to six minutes at a time.

Press concessional rate trunk calls can be made from any telephone number or Public Call office but only to those telephone numbers of registered newspapers and recognised news agencies which have been registered with the head of the postal circle concerned for the purposes of this concession. A nominal charge of one rupee is made for such registration for a period of twelve months.

'Reserved charge calls' that is, calls for which the charge is recovered from the called subscriber instead of from the calling subscriber can also be made to registered press numbers at the Press concessional rate between midnight and 6 a.m. by persons holding a card of authority for making such calls.

Press concessional rate calls do not obtain precedence over ordinary private calls. To obtain precedence 'urgent' press concessional rate calls may be booked. Such calls are charged at double the Press concessional rate.

The adoption of the Press concessional rate on a permanent basis will depend upon the response received from the Press during the experimental period.—A. P.

Arrested For May Day Speech

QUETTA, May 9.

The Quetta police have arrested one Hoturam under Section 38 of the Defence of India Rules in connection with a speech delivered by him at a public meeting held in connection with the 'May Day' celebrations. His case has been sent up for trial in the court of the Assistant Political Agent, Quetta.—A.P.

The Sukkur District Moslem League Conference will be held at Sultankot, Sukkur district, on 24th and 25th May, 1941, under the presidentship of K. B. Nawab Makhdum Murid Hussain Sahib, M.L.A. (Central).

Trade And Finance

Money Remains Easy

Limited Business In Government Securities

GOLD AND SILVER QUIETLY STEADY

Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent).
BOMBAY: Friday.

MONEY: Extreme ease continued to characterise the short term money market throughout the week under review and borrowers were reluctant to pay even 1/2 per cent for day-to-day funds. 3 to 6 months' money was quoted around 1 per cent per annum. The Treasury Bill rate further declined from As. 13/5 to As. 13 per cent per annum. Sales of intermediates by the Government of India, excluding those to the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India during the week amounted to Rs. 1.54 crores.

An increase of Rs. 230.77 lacs in the active note circulation is disclosed by the weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India, compiled upto 2nd May 1941. The total note issue has expanded by Rs. 10.26 lacs, which is offset by a rise of Rs. 10.28 lacs in the Bank's holding of Rupee Coin. There is no change either in the Bank's holding of Gold coin and Bullion nor in Sterling Securities. In the Banking Department there is an all-round decrease in deposits. Government deposits have declined by Rs. 92.39 lacs, Bankers' by Rs. 166.55 lacs and others by a fractional Rs. 4.90 lacs. Balances held abroad register a record rise of Rs. 6.40 crores while Government borrowings against "Ways and Means" are down by Rs. 6.50 crores.

The statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India for the week ended 2nd May 1941 reveals a rise of Rs. 62.63 lacs in all kinds of deposits. Investments show an increase of Rs. 27.06 lacs and Advances are up by Rs. 213.49 lacs. The Bank's holding of Cash has declined by Rs. 185.93 lacs.

GILT-EDGED: Confidence in the gilt-edged market appeared to be reviving and prices of most securities improved with a fair investment inquiry in all scrips. Sellers were difficult to find and business, therefore, was comparatively restricted. 3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Stock in London remained almost unchanged at £99 3/4 throughout, but 3 1/2 per cent Rupee Paper locally improved from Rs. 94/7 at the opening to Rs. 95/4 at the finish. There was a corresponding rise in the values of other dated bonds; 2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 loan improved from Rs. 97/2 to Rs. 97/8, 3 per cent 1951/54 loan from Rs. 99/6 to Rs. 99/10 and 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 loan from Rs. 102/1 to Rs. 102/6. 3 per cent 1941 bonds were marked up fractionally to Rs. 100/6 and 3 per cent 1963/65 loan at Rs. 94/3. 5 per cent 1945/55 (tax free) loan, which was offered freely at Rs. 110/4 at the opening, evoked good inquiry at Rs. 110/14 at the end. 4 per cent 1943 bonds were done at Rs. 104/5. 4 per cent 1960/70 loan at Rs. 108/2 and 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 loan at Rs. 112/12. 3 per cent 1946 bonds ruled steadier at Rs. 101/10 as against the opening level of Rs. 101/6.

EXCHANGE: There was nothing to break the monotony of the rupee/sterling exchange market during the period under review. Although there was a steadier tone in the inter-bank quotations for forward delivery for which sellers quoted a little better than 1s 5 63/64d. There was no change in the spot rate. Sellers were quoting 1 shilling 5 61/64d and buyers 1s 5 63/64d. Merchant rates as fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—Sellers—T T for spot delivery and upto six months 1s. 5 15/16d. Buyers—T T for spot delivery and upto six months 1s 6d.

In the New York market sterling remained stabilized at 403.25 cents all through the week. The Shanghai dollar was stationary at 3 1/8d and the Yen continued to be quoted at the long familiar rate of 1s 2 1/2d.

GOLD: The gold market was inclined to be steady almost throughout the week, but towards the end developed a quieter undertone on selling by option dealers and weak bulls following easier tendency in silver and cotton. From the opening till Wednesday, the price of spot gold moved narrowly between Rs. 42/10/9 and Rs. 42/12/9, but on Thursday it declined to Rs. 42/8/6 for lack of support. The premium on May settlement gold contracted from 9 pies to 3 pies, while June settlement, after standing 1 1/4 annas over May, was quoted at a premium of one anna. Sovereigns which were priced at Rs. 28/15 in the beginning came down to Rs. 28/13 at the close in consequence of lesser demand and lower price of gold. Floating stocks of gold in the market are estimated to be around 4,00,000 tolas; arrivals from Upcountry are believed to have averaged about 8,000 tolas a day; while the average daily offtake including gold surrendered in exchange for coins, is said to be about 10,000 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 42/12/9 and Rs. 42/8/6 for spot; Rs. 42/13/3 and Rs. 42/8/9 for May and Rs. 42/14/6 and Rs. 42/9/9 for June settlements.

SILVER: After remaining steady around Rs. 62/13/6 with minor variations of about an anna either way till mid-week, spot silver receded to Rs. 62/10 on Thursday following market reports of some selling by the special source at reduced rates. May settlement silver, after being 1 anna over, stood at level rates with spot, while the premium on silver to be delivered in the June settlement contracted from 2 annas to 1 anna. In London the market was essentially idle but steady and rates were maintained at the India Government's selling level. Both the cash and forward quotations stood fixed at 23 1/2d all through the week. Stocks of the metal are estimated to be about 13,000 bars. The highest and lowest rates recorded during the week were: Rs. 63/1/6 and Rs. 62/10 for spot and May settlement and Rs. 63/2/6 and Rs. 62/11 for June settlement.

SHARES: Following the decision of the Stock Exchange Authorities to restrict jobbing business on the floor of the market, prices moved up sharply during the latter part of the week, and with intermittent reactions, closed fairly steady. The volume of turnover, however, was restricted as a natural result of the restrictions imposed on trading.

In the steel section, Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds gradually improved from Rs. 1670 to Rs. 1775 at the finish, whilst Ordinaries also made headway from Rs. 344 to Rs. 363/8. The textile group of shares also displayed a steady undertone; Bombay Dyeings improved from Rs. 960 to Rs. 1017/8. Kohinoors from Rs. 372 to Rs. 393 and New Greats from Rs. 345 to Rs. 370 at the close. Centuries gained well over 32 points to Rs. 385, Central Indias were marked up from Rs. 265 to Rs. 284 and Colabas gained about 11 points to Rs. 165. Quiet conditions prevailed in the Hydro-Electric section where price movements were comparatively narrow; Andhra Valleys moved narrowly between Rs. 1810 and Rs. 1792/8 and Tata Powers between Rs. 1545 and Rs. 1565, whilst Bombay Trams and Tata Hydros showed only minor variations around Rs. 132/8 and Rs. 175 respectively. Bank shares met with some investment demand: Bank of Indias were done at Rs. 139 as against the opening level of Rs. 135, whilst Central Banks gained about 2 points at Rs. 41/8. Imperial Bank fully paids were bid up from Rs. 1515 to Rs. 1532/8, but Reserve Banks remained completely in the background and were quoted lower at Rs. 102/4. Railways scrips evoked some inquiry, Ahmedabad Prantij Railway shares being done at Rs. 962/8 and Tapti Valleys at Rs. 646/4. In the Miscellaneous section Associated Cements after opening somewhat lower at Rs. 130/8, steadily moved up and closed at Rs. 136/4, whilst Belapurs ruled firm at Rs. 204 at the finish. Bombay Burmas which had declined to Rs. 397/8 initially improved and closed at Rs. 437/8. Scindia Steam and New Indias were fairly steady at Rs. 19/3 and Rs. 41/8 at the close.

CALCUTTA: The improved sentiment, which was noticeable last week in the jute section of the Calcutta market, continued during the week under review, with fair investment inquiry in most of the popular scrips. At the close, however, the market once again relapsed into inactivity and closed dull.

TATA OIL MILL WORKERS' STRIKE

Legitimate Demands Of Labour Ignored

The acting General Secretary of the Lal Bavta Soap and Oil Workers' Union, writes:—

The strike of the Tata Oil Mills of Sewri is being conducted in the most peaceful and lawful manner for the last 25 days. The management have put another notice that if the workers did not resume work by Wednesday, the 7th May, they would be considered to have vacated their posts and fresh recruitment would be made and they should receive their wages on the 7th. But the workers undaunted by their spirit of unity, have, not even a single one from them, taken their last month's wages.

In the meantime the attitude of the Government also is stiffening against the workers. Their General Secretary, Dr. A. B. Sawant, has been detained under the Defence of India Rules. Two other important office-bearers, Messrs. T. A. N. Swami and Salunke have also been arrested.

These facts relating to the strike are placed before the public so that they can gauge how the legitimate demands of workers are crushed. The public are requested to boycott "Tomco" products unless this big capitalistic concern looks upon its Indian producers in a sympathetic manner.

I. D. S. Medal For Subadar Of Punjabis

SIMLA, May 9.

A Subadar of Punjabis, who took command of his company, when his Commanding Officer was wounded has been awarded the Indian Distinguished Service Medal, it is announced here.

Subadar Ata Mohammad was second-in-command of a company during the attack on the fort "Tummar West", south of Sidi Barrani. Early in the fighting, his Company Commander was wounded, assuming command of the Company Subadar Ata Mohammad showed great courage and complete disregard for his own safety, and by the skilful way in which he directed his Company against enemy points of resistance he played a great part in so quickly overcoming the opposition on his front.—A. P.

POLITICALS' PLIGHT IN YERAVDA CAMP

(From A Correspondent.)
YERAVDA, May 8.

Two hundred-fifty political prisoners of 'C' class Gujerat and Maharashtra have been confined in Yeravda temporary camp jail. From the time the camp jail is opened prisoners have been making complaints to the Superintendent about food, letters, tent accommodation, etc., but upto now no satisfactory steps have been taken. The following are the grievances of the 'C' class prisoners.

(a) In each compound nine tents have been installed and in each camp ten prisoners are expected to be accommodated. The tents are so slanting and low that there is no moving space left in the tent.

(b) The tone of the Superintendent is said to be very undignified insulting and rough to the politicals. He hardly listens sympathetically to complaints.

(c) Javari and bajri bread that tney get are not properly baked, the bajri is very old and rotten one. The quality of dal which is prescribed in the jail manual is not given to prisoners. The quality of bhaji is very unsatisfactory.

Kolhapur Editor Sentenced

KOLHAPUR, May 9.

Mr. G. S. Gokhale, proprietor of the Vidyavilas Printing Press, who was arrested under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act, has been sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 150, in default to undergo two months' simple imprisonment.

Mr. Gokhale has paid the fine. —United Press.

PESHAWAR.— Saida, Khalas and Hayat, who had escaped from Mianwali Jail, were rounded up last week by the Mianwali police in the Shahbazkhel area near Mianwali.

Nazis Writhing In Roles Of Outcasts

Ridicule And Contempt—Holland's Weapons Against Germans

LONDON, May 9.

German soldiers stationed in Holland are dispirited and disillusioned, according to authentic information reaching the Free Dutch Newspaper, "Vrij Nederland".

Hollands' weapon of ridicule and contempt and of faith in Allied victory is having remarkable results and the Germans are writhing in the role of outcasts instead of conquerors.

A number when they feel they have the confidence of the Dutch plead for civilian clothing to aid them in deserting. Messages add that skilled Dutch farmers resent instructions from Nazis and agricultural production has slumped.

INDIAN PENETRATION COMMISSION COMPLETES WORK

Fate Of Half A Million Indians Depends On Report

DURBAN, May 8.

The Indian Penetration Commission completed its work to-day after 54 public sittings in six months during which 2,100 pages of evidence were taken.

At the conclusion of to-day's hearing Mr. A. I. Kajee, representing the Natal Indian Congress, thanked the Commission for the kindness and courtesy extended to them during the period of the sittings.

He added that the fate of the half million Indians resident in South Africa was dependent on the Commission's findings.

He hoped that it had been shown to the Commission that Indians had been assimilated in the general South African life.

"India is our country of origin but is now merely a term to us. Since the Capetown Agreement we have shown by our efforts our desire to assume responsibilities burdens and risks, being true South Africans, but we hope to receive some benefits from our citizenship."—Reuter

JAMES ROOSEVELT AT CAIRO

CAIRO, May 9.

Capt. James Roosevelt has arrived at Cairo to take up duties as United States air observer with the R.A.F. in the Middle East. —Reuter.

NORMAL SITUATION IN CITY

Irresponsible and mischievous rumours are set afloat in the city creating a scare among the people. In spite of the assurance in the city press that the disturbances were under complete control and that there was nothing to fear, scare-mongers were at it again with the result that some tension was caused and shops closed here and there in mixed localities.

Not a single untoward incident took place on Friday and the situation may be said to have returned to normal. The police are as vigilant as usual.

SEC. 144 PROMULGATED IN GORAKHPUR

GORAKHPUR May 8.

An order under Section 144 Cr P. C. prohibiting the carrying of weapons and assembly of more than four persons has been promulgated in the city within municipal limits, to avoid communal trouble to-day, when processions will be taken out in celebration of Goraknat Gurukul anniversary.—A. P.

Iftikaruddin And Bhiwani Riots

LAHORE, May 9.

Mian Iftikaruddin, President of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, has sent a telegram to Lala Shamlal, M.L.A. (Central) in connection with the disturbances in Bhiwani, asking for details thereof. He has also offered his services to restore the peace there.—United Press.

Normal Condition In Biharsharif

RANCHI, May 9.

The situation in Biharsharif and the neighbouring villages is now quiet and normal conditions prevail, according to the latest reports. Shops are being opened and business transacted as usual. Armed police are, however, patrolling the area.—A. P.

DERAILMENT ON S. I. RAILWAY

MADRAS, May 9.

A report has been received here of an accident to a goods train in the Katpadi-Villupuram section of the South Indian Railway this morning as a result of which 13 vehicles in the rear were thrown off the track and three derailed.

According to a railway communication, the accident occurred between Agaramsibbandi and Tiruvannamalai stations. Three persons were injured and the permanent way has been damaged. Transhipment of passengers has been arranged and the line is likely to be restored by 6 a.m. tomorrow.—A. P.

Mysterious Fires In Norway

Quislings' Headquarters Damaged

LONDON, May 2.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Helsinki correspondent cabled on April 30:

It is reported from Norway that mysterious fires have caused damage to the Oslo theatre, the Quisling Party's headquarters. In addition a cellulose factory has been practically destroyed by fire.

Oslo is suffering from numerous burglaries, the thieves concentrating on cars, clothing and footwear.

The Oslo-Bergen train was derailed.

D. F. Cross For Faridpur-Born

LONDON, May 9.

Among fourteen recipients of the Distinguished Flying Cross is Wing Commander Edward James Laine born at Faridpur, Bengal. —Reuter.

WAR RISK INSURANCE POLICIES

Will Not Be Allowed To Be Taken Out With Retrospective Effect

CALCUTTA, May 9.

The Government of India have now decided not to allow War Risk insurance policies to be taken out with retrospective effect even in cases of under-insurance.

According to instructions given by the Under-Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Commerce to the accounts-General of Bengal, Bombay and Madras on the subject of War Risks (Goods) Insurance Ordinance, 1940.

Explaining the decision the Under-Secretary States that even where a policy has been taken out for an amount less than the estimated value of goods held in stock, the Government are not willing, on the balance of premium being subsequently tendered, to issue cover retrospectively with regard to the excess of stock.

He adds that such cases of Under-Insurance, which come to the notice of the staff in the course of local checking, should be reported to special officers concerned.—A. P.

Tamil Nadu Hindu Sabha Conference

MADRAS, May 9.

The Tamil Nadu Provincial Hindu Saba Conference will be held at Tiruvannamalai, South Arcot District, on June 27 and 28.

Dr. B. S. Moonje will preside and Dr. Shyamprasad Mukherjee will open the Conference.—United Press.

Bihar Hindus' Appeal For Relief

MADRAS, May 9.

Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary of the All India Hindu Mahasabha, has received the following telegram from the Secretary of the Bihar Hindu Sabha:

"Invite your attention to the situation in Bihar Sharif. Sufferings of Hindus beyond description. Kindly arrange help and relief to affected areas at once."

Dr. Naidu in this connection has sent a telegram to-day to the Raja of Ramgarh, President of the Bihar Hindu Sabha, to take up relief work immediately.—United Press.

Kripalani Stresses Discipline For Youths

WARDHA, May 9.

The need for discipline was emphasised by Acharya Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee, who to-day inaugurated the National Youths' Training Camp at Wardha.

Mr. Kripalani said that "an organisation to be living and effective must maintain strict discipline—a quality greatly in evidence in the west generally and during war in particular." Youths, he added, must be ready for suffering and sacrifice and be amenable to discipline without which no nation could succeed.—A.P.

Bombay War Gifts Fund

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 86,75,676/4/8.

Rs. 1,00,000 Sir Cusrow and Sir Ness Wadia, earmarked as under: Rs. 50,000 for families of the Indian fighting forces; Rs. 50,000 for the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund for Sufferers in London, Liverpool, Manchester, Coventry and Glasgow.

For the R.A.F.: Rs. 2,500 the American Association of Western India. Rs. 751/8/3 through the Treasury Officer, Satara. Rs. 540/15/1 the staff of the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Co. of India, Ltd. (monthly). Rs. 404 the Ammunition Factory Sports Club, Kirkee, Rs. 234 through the Sub-Treasury Officer, Guhagar, Ratnagiri District. Rs. 214/9/2 the European and Indian staffs and workmen of the Mazagon Dock Ltd. (further donation). Rs. 117/0/8 the members of the Bombay Light Patrol, A.F.I. Rs. 55/8 Mr. Hirji Pestonji. Rs. 52/6/3 through the Mamlatdar, Chiplun, Ratnagiri Distt. Rs. 51 Mr. Murzban J. Mistree.

For Armoured Carriers for the Indian Army: Rs. 2,500 the American Assocn. of Western India. Rs. 751/8/3 through the Treasury Officer, Satara. Rs. 427/14/11 the staff of the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Co. of India, Ltd (monthly), Rs. 234 through the Sub-Treasury Officer, Guhagar, Ratnagiri Distt. Rs. 214/9/1 the European and Indian staffs and workmen of the Mazagon Dock Ltd. (further donation). Rs. 55/8 Mr. Hirji Pestonji. Rs. 52/6/3 through the Mamlatdar, Chiplun, Ratnagiri Distt.

For "Bombed Churches and Cathedrals in England": Rs. 3,836/4/9 through the Right Revd. the Bishop of Bombay.

For Amenities for Indian Troops: Rs. 538 the American Association of Western India, being the proceeds of a Base-ball game arranged by them.

Grand Total on Friday: Rs. 56,90,330/14/4.

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TO-NIGHT
CABARET DINNER DANCE

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FRED MURRAY &
MIRIAM LESTER

FAREWELL PERFORMANCE
OF
LILIAN & IRENE
THEODORE & HIS BOYS

Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Vaishakh Sud 14, 1997
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 12, 1360
Parsi: Adar 8, 1310
Hightide: 11-18; 23-17
Lowtide: 4-42; 17-14
Sunrise: 6h. 6m.
Sunset: 7h. 4m.

Domestic Occurrence

BHATIA DEATH: THA. NARSINH JEthabhai Virji (of Thasra Ginning and Pressing Coy., Ltd.) aged 26 years, expired on Friday, the 9th May, 1941. His Uthamna ceremony at his residence in Ranchhoddas Kanji Wadi, at 114, Vithalbhai Patel Road on Sunday, the 11th inst. at 3 p.m. (B.T.).

FAIR AT PYDHOWNIE—The annual fair of Shree Mahakali Temple at Pydhownie will be held to-day (Saturday) and will remain open for three days.

BAND AT VICTORIA GARDENS—The Band of the Bombay City Police will play a programme of music at Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) from 6 to 8 p.m. (S.T.)

MUTUAL HELPING SOCIETY—The 17th annual general meeting of the Mutual Helping Society, Bombay, will be held in the Society's office, Worli, at 5 p.m. (S.T.) today (Saturday).

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Tin Pan Alley" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Hudson's Bay" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Sky Murder" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m
EXCELSIOR—"Red Tail Minstrels" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Wings Over Africa" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Premnagar" Daily at 3-15 and 6-15 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
CHITRA—"Prabhat" Daily at 4, 6 45 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-15 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar" Daily at 3 30 and 6-15 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30 noon
MINERVA—"Lagan" Daily at 3-30 and 6-15 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 3 and 6 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 3-30 and 6 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.

BOMBAY HOMOEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSOCN.—An adjourned ordinary general meeting of the association will be held at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) to-day (Saturday) at 311, Tardeo Rd., Nana's Chowk, Bombay 7.

LECTURE ON KATHA UPANISHAD—Swami Sumbuddhananda of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Dadar, will give a public lecture at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) in 64, Portuguese Church St., Merzellow Building, Dadar.

BURMAH-SHELL SPORTS CLUB—The annual prize distribution will take place when members of the Burmah-Shell Sports Club will be "At Home" at the Catholic Gymkhana to-day, (Saturday) at 5 p.m.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT—That "Parliamentary Democracy Does Not Suit Indian Conditions" will be the subject of a public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. Mr. Husein Bogmahomed, M.L.A. will preside.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL KAMGAR SANGH—A monthly meeting of the Managing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Kamgar Sangh will be held on the 10th inst. in the office of the Sangh, at 6-30 p.m.

BOMBAY YOUTHS' LITERARY & DEBATING ASSOCN.—A public debate that "The Communal Problem in India is an Artificial One" will be held at Vanmali Hall Building, Dadar, on Sunday, 11th inst. at 9-30 a.m.

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY—Swami Sumbuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will deliver a public lecture on Vedanta Philosophy (Brahma Sutras Adhyas Vad) at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Rd., Fort, to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.)

PARLE TILAK VIDYALAYA—The Hon. Secretary of the Vidyalaya thanks the donors for the amounts as under:—Messrs. Modak M. K. Rs. 101, Bambardekar Y.B. Rs. 101, Nadkarni S.M. Rs. 101, Chachad B. R. Rs. 125, Talpade Ramrao B. Rs. 51, Nadkarni S.A. Rs. 51, Kasargod R. V. Rs. 25, and Dalvi S. B. Rs. 11.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE—Under the auspices of the Mazdaznan Association of Bombay a public lecture will be delivered by Dastur Framroze A. Bode on "The History of Zarathushtrian Religion and Literature" to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the Industrial Institute Building, opp. Churchgate Station.

KANARA VIDYADAINI FREE NIGHT SCHOOL—The Kanara Vidyadaini Free Night School has been removed to Amrit Villa, 29, Old Mody Street, Fort. The school will remain closed for Summer vacation and will be reopened on the 9th June. The drama "Sorthisinha" in Gujarati, which was fixed for the 8th inst. is postponed on account of the Curfew Order to 6th of June.

HANDICRAFTS AND ART EXHIBITION—Under the auspices of Matunga Gujarati Hindu Stri Mandal an Exhibition of Handicrafts and Art will be held on Sunday, May 25, in the premises of Matunga Premier School. The Exhibition will remain open till Wednesday, 28th inst. It contains samples of handicrafts, pictures, embroidery works, etc. Matunga ladies are requested to send their best samples to the Secretaries at the Mandal's office between 1 and 4 p.m. (King's Circle Tram Terminus), daily.

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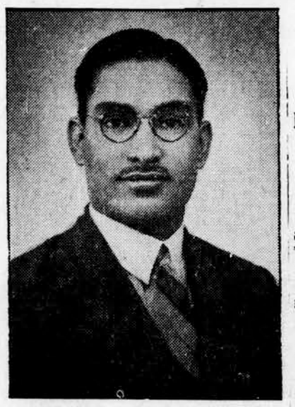
Sjt. Manu Subedar, M.L.A. (Central), will perform the opening ceremony of the above Fair under the auspices of the Kala Kendra at 6 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at Juhu Rd., Vile Parle. Admission fee is anna one.



MURALIDHAR SHARMA

Pandit Muralidhar Sharma, M.A., LL.B., Solicitor of Bombay who has just passed the Solicitors Examination, standing second in the order of merit. He is the second Solicitor in the Marwari Community in Bombay, the first being his father. He secured First Class First Honours in the B. A. Examination in Sanskrit in 1935 and was awarded the Bhau Daji Prize and Bai Mithibai Jehangir Mugaseth Prize. He was a Dakshina Fellow in the Elphinstone College for 2 years.

Results Of Sewing, Cutting And English Classes Exams.

The following are the names of successful students who passed in the examinations held in April 1941 of the Sewing and Cutting and English Classes of the Mahila Seva Mandal Industrial Schools for Women:—

Sewing and Cutting (2 years' course) Final Diploma (Parel Branch): Misses Ester Talker, Saju Gavde, Lilavati Khambete, Shanta Bandagale, Ladku Gorivle, Mrs. Rajma Iyer, Misses Mukta Suratkar, Vijaya Bhatkar, Hira Mhatre, Shri. Sugandhi Kamat.

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Dadar Branch: Misses Pramila Kulkarni, Sundar Kelkar, Mrses. Pramila Parulekar, Sumatibai Wagh, Miss Ambalika Talapade, Mrs. Ponni Changappa, Miss Prema Kavli.

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English Language Class Std. IV (2 years' Course), Parel Branch: Misses Kamal Sarang, M. Aptekar, S. Ghavale, V. Gadkari, S. Shirke, Y. Aaron.

Dadar Branch: Mrses. K. Nargund, K. Joglekar.

Bombay Parsi Textile League's Activities

COMMENDABLE ACTIVITIES IN RELIEVING SUFFERINGS OF MILL EMPLOYEES

The 12th annual general and election meeting of the Bombay Parsi Textile League will be held at Cama Bag on Sunday, the 11th inst., at 9 a.m. A Jashan ceremony will be performed at 8 a.m. and lunch will be taken at 12 noon.

The annual report of the League is just out and shows on the roll a membership of 322 with Sir H. M. Mehta, Kt., K.B.E., J.P. as President. Messrs. K. S. Davar and H. M. Mehta as Vice-Presidents. Major S. R. Bamji, F.R.S.A., J.P. and Mr. N. J. Mistry as Jt. Hon. Secretaries.

The League has a special relief fund, out of which Rs. 569/12 were given as help to some of the members. It has also a Loan Relief Fund and a sum of Rs. 1,140 was advanced to seven members. A sum of Rs. 1,205 was given to families of deceased members.

The League is registered under the Indian Trade Unions Act and manages to settle disputes with employers.

The Audited accounts show that the League has a fund of nearly Rs. 14,500 to which Rs. 5,000 are added after the closing of the accounts being the donation from its President.

The League came into existence in the year 1929 after the prolonged general mill strike in Bombay. To relieve the sufferings of Parsi employees the Bombay Parsi Association (then known as Grant Road Parsi Association) raised the fund of Rs. 24,000 from public donations and helped the unemployed Parsis.

The name of the union was changed last year into "The Bombay Parsi Textile League."

AVIATION ON A. I. R.

NEW DELHI: May 9.

The All-India Radio, Delhi, is initiating a new series of talks on aviation on Sunday, May 11. In this series all aspects of aviation training will be discussed by competent authorities. In the first talk, Capt. B. S. Leete, A.F.C., will speak on "The part played by Flying Clubs in Pilot Training." This talk will be heard on Sunday, at 8 p.m.—A.P.

SUSPECTED CASES OF ENTERIC FEVER

The Government of Bombay has decided to discontinue for a year the practice of sending round a subordinate Medical Service officer posted at the Haffkine Institute, Bombay, to collect clinical material in Bombay city and suburbs in suspected cases of enteric fever. Private medical practitioners, however, can still avail themselves of the Institute for free examination of clinical material in suspected cases of enteric fever, if it is sent by them to the Institute.

SWATI TIRUNAL'S COMPOSITIONS ON A. I. R.

MADRAS: May 9.

The Madras Centre of All-India Radio announces that in connection with the birthday anniversary of the great composer, Maharaja Swati Tirunal, ruler of Travancore, 1829/1946, Mr. Semmangudi Sreenivasa Iyer will broadcast a special programme of Swati Tirunal's compositions from Madras at 7-50 p.m. on Saturday, 10th May. This programme will include certain songs that have not been hitherto broadcast.—A. P.

LADY LUMLEY AT OOTY

OOTACAMUND, May 9.

The Hon. Lady Lumley wife of H.E. Sir Roger Lumley, Governor of Bombay, accompanied by the Duchess of Roxburghe arrived here to-day from Bombay via Mysore. They are staying at Government House, Ootacamund.—A. P.

SUMMER CAMP AT MALAD

Prithvisingh's Attempt To Teach "Ahimsa" Through Physical Training

(Special for "Chronicle")

MALAD, May 9.

It is more than a week and Sardar Prithvisingh's Physical Training Camp is now a centre of intense organised activities. The students number 708 boys and girls between the ages of seven and forty. The staff of teachers consists of forty. The camp is situated in an extensive mango-grove, which is now full of residential huts. Electricity is provided and there are adequate broadcasting arrangements.

The inmates leave their beds at 5 a.m. and the morning exercises begin at 5-45 a.m. They continue upto 8 a.m. There is a second programme of physical instruction in the evening extending over two hours.

Besides these four hours of physical education, the young people of the camp are given intellectual education for four hours every day—one hour in the morning, two in the afternoon and one at night. Lectures on different topics are arranged. Mr. Jugatram Dave, Swami Kuvalayanand, Principal Joseph, Mr. Virachand Panachand Acharya Kalelkar Mr. Ravishankar Raval are some of the eminent persons who visited and addressed the campers. Sjt. Kishorlal Mashruvala, Mr. Nanabhai Bhatt, Sjt. Amritlal Sheth, Sjt. Shamaldas Gandhi, Mr. Brelvi Sjt. Ravishankar Vyas have promised to address the camp in due course. Sardar Prithvisingh has undertaken a unique experiment namely training the youths of India in the practice of 'Ahimsa' through the medium of physical education.

Those who hear the emotional yet logical talks of Sardar Prithvisingh are convinced that the personality of the Sardar will soon revolutionise the minds and reform the bodies of Indian youths.

Sun Life Assurance Co. Of Canada

REMARKABLE PROGRESS: PAYS POLICY-HOLDERS DOLLARS 1,380,00,000 IN 70 YEARS

At the 70th Annual Meeting of the Sun Life of Canada held at Montreal on February 11, last, the financial statement presented by Arthur B. Wood, President and Managing Director showed that assets of the Company approached the billion dollar mark during 1940, standing at over nine hundred and fifty millions, an increase of thirty-six millions for the year and a new high. Payments to policy-holders exceeded dol. 94 millions, an increase of four million dollars. Business in force increased by twenty-five millions during 1040 bringing the total now in force close to three billion dollars. New business placed on the books over the year was approximately dol. 170 millions. Premium income for 1940 exceeded at dol. 111,000,000 while total receipts showed an increase over 1939 at dol. 167,000,000. Disbursements for the year were approximately dol. 124,000,000. The Company's bond account, principal item of assets, now standing at dol. 507 millions, consisting of Government, Municipal, Public Utility and other bonds, showed an increase of over forty-six millions as compared with the preceding year. The surplus and contingency reserve, after a further strengthening of the reserves and writing down the value of assets, amounted to over dol. 28,000,000. Policies and Group Certificates now in force number over 1,200,000.

The growth of the Sun Life assets, reviewed by Mr. Wood, was a remarkable demonstration of progress.

In the 70 years under review the Sun Life of Canada had paid to policy-holders and beneficiaries the imposing sum of dol. 1,390,000,000. Mr. Wood, in quoting these records of achievement which had been maintained despite wars and epidemics, booms and depressions, stated that they were an impressive demonstration of the soundness of life assurance and its ability to meet all obligations in a normal way, at all times and under all conditions.

Surgical Instruments In India

SIMLA, May 9.

An important committee held under the auspices of the Director-General, Indian Medical Service, has just concluded its labours in New Delhi, says a 'communique.'

The work of the committee has been the standardisation of surgical instruments and appliances and the fixing of schedules of such standard instruments for supply through the Government Medical Stores Department for military and civil purposes, including A. R. P.

It is anticipated that through the work of this committee the quantity production of surgical instruments in India will be considerably facilitated.—A. P.

Plea To Reduce Barrage Debt

KARACHI, May 9.

A plea for sympathetic consideration of Sind Government's representation to Central Government on the subject of Barrage Debt is made by Khan Bahadur G. K. M. Shahban, M.L.A. (Central) in a statement.

He says that the Barrage was an attractive proposition when Sind formed part of Bombay Presidency but now it is like a millstone round her neck.

He pleads that the Central Government should not recover instalments as rigidly as originally fixed. Recovery should be made from Sind as the Provincial Government makes recovery from the Barrage. Further, the rate of interest should also be reduced.

Khan Bahadur Shahban suggests that instalments should be recovered in reserve order that is the annual instalments for first fifteen years should be Rs. 50 lakhs for the next ten years it should be 60 lakhs and thereafter Rs. 75 lakhs each.—A. P.

Since 1871, in its seventy years of practical service, the Sun Life of Canada has paid benefits totalling Rs. 3,80,76,94,666.

ON EACH WORKING DAY OF 1940, policyholders and beneficiaries received Rs. 9,20,000 or a total for the year of Rs. 25,80,09,539. Of this amount, no less than 73% was paid to living policyholders, and the balance to the dependents of policyholders who died.

Rs. 46,44,07,695 of New Assurances were issued during the year increasing the total of assurance protection to the amount of Rs. 8,11,97,50,221..... The number of Policies now in force (including Group Certificates) exceeds one million, two hundred thousand. ... Total Assets now stand at Rs. 2,60,49,16,073 the highest in the history of the Company.

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SOVEREIGNTY IN INDIAN STATES

Important constitutional issues are raised by the Firman issued by His Exalted Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad repudiating the theory propounded by the Majlis Ittinadhul Muslimeen (Muslim organisation) that the sovereignty of the State is vested in the Muslims of the State and that His Exalted Highness merely embodied "the Muslim Sovereignty". The absurd pretensions of the Majlis are perhaps a corollary to the Pakistan idea but they need not be considered here except as a warning to the people of India about the sinister implications of Pakistan. Certain observations in the Firman, however, need to be carefully scrutinised. Replying to a statement of the Majlis seeking to justify its stand by throwing the onus for this theory on the protagonists of the Responsible Government ideal and certain statements in Government Reforms Schemes, the Firman gives several quotations to show that the Government had consistently upheld what was the historical truth namely the undivided sovereignty of His Exalted Highness over all his subjects irrespective of class or creed and that the Government had on no occasion countenanced the demand that the Executive should be bade responsible to and be rendered removable by the legislature. The Firman states further: "His Exalted Highness and his Government have not found it possible to accept the theory of 'Responsible Government' for the same reasons as those which impel them to react to any doctrine, like that propounded by the Majlis, which implies division or diffusion of His Exalted Highness' sovereignty among 15 lakhs of his subjects and those belonging to a particular class."

Varying Degrees Of Sovereignty

In so far as the Firman repudiates the Pakistan theory that the State of Hyderabad is a Muslim State and that, therefore, its sovereignty vests only among its Muslim population, it is certainly to be welcomed. But its remarks on sovereignty and their bearing on constitutional reforms in the State are positively disconcerting. The former must be considered in a general and impersonal manner. The question of sovereignty can be considered from a positive or an ideal point of view, that is, with regard to a position as it is or as it ought to be. The present position of the States is that the sovereignty of the more important of them is shared in varying degrees between their Rulers and the British Crown, the latter term really meaning the British Parliament, functioning through the British Government and the Government of India. In other words the States Rulers' sovereignty is modified by old treaties. These are well-known facts. But to the extent Parliament is transferring its power over India to the people of India, the old treaties will necessarily be modified either through a Federal scheme or otherwise. Every time a treaty is modified the present division of sovereignty will be necessarily affected by the new treaty. And the question will arise in every case on what lines or principle should sovereignty be divided in a particular State or between the State and the new Government of India.

Sovereign Rights Of The People

This question of principle raises what has been called the ideal conception of sovereignty, that is, the question in whom the sovereignty ought to be vested so as to secure the maximum welfare of the State as a whole. Most constitutional jurists are now agreed that for the welfare of a State as a whole its sovereignty should vest in the State as a whole, that is, in its people, those who by their toil and blood sustain the State. This is the modern principle of Sovereignty of the People, embodied in Lokmanya Tilak's famous slogan, "Swaraj is my Birthright and I will have it." It replaces the medieval theory of the Divine Right of Kings. It is true that here and there autocrats, bureaucrats or other narrow vested interests strive to deny the people of their sovereign rights. But the injustice itself awakens the people to a livelier consciousness of their rights. Then their coming into their own is only a question of time. The tide of democracy has already set in in India and nothing can long stem it. The cry of old historical rights and Treaty Rights will not avail against the advance of democracy. Constant change is written on every page of history and old treaties are everywhere replaced by new ones or Magna Cartas. Only, in India, more than elsewhere, the change needs to be non-violent; and so it will be, thanks to Gandhiji.

Toddy Prohibition

(BY JAL R. VIMADALAL)

The Officiating Chief Justice Sir Patrick Blackwell's considered judgment of April 18th in the toddy license case ran into forty-four pages. The various sections of the Bombay Abkari Act of 1878 were, for the third time, subjected to a searching review by the Bombay High Court. In this case, a Parsi owner of toddy-trees at Lady Jamshedji Road, Mahim, applied for a license to tap and draw toddy for the private consumption of himself, his family, friends and guests. The Collector refused his application along with others which were all rejected *en bloc*. From this decision of the Collector, he appealed to the Commissioner of Excise, who refused to interfere with the Collector's order. Aggrieved by this refusal to grant him a license he moved the High Court under Section 45 of the Specific Relief Act.

The learned Advocate-General in his arguments sought to justify these *en bloc* refusals as a proper exercise of discretion by the Collector on the ground that the latter's discretion was subject to the orders of the Government, in conformity with which the Collector had acted. The Chief Justice pointed out, however, that such orders of the Government, if they were to control the Collector's discretion, must be rules duly made after undergoing all the necessary legal formalities, including that of previous publication. In the present case, the only instructions which the Collector received were in correspondence, and these, in the opinion of the Chief Justice, did not constitute orders of the Government justifying the Collector's action.

Comprehensive New Legislation Needed

In his judgment Sir Patrick came to the conclusion that *both the Collector and the Commissioner acted under the "mistaken belief" that the Prohibition Policy of the Government amounted to orders of the Government justifying them in refusing license applications en bloc.* The Chief Justice has analysed very lucidly the sections of the Abkari Act. He has held that Section 4 relates only to control in reference to establishment and not to the power to grant such licenses vested in the Collector by virtue of Section 14 which is controlled only by the conditions prescribed by rules made under Section 30 of the Act.

The Chief Justice directed the Collector forthwith to grant a license to the Petitioner to draw toddy from his own trees at Mahim for private consumption. It now remains to be seen what course the Government will adopt. One wonders whether it will take the view it expressed in its Press Note of July 1940 that attempts to adapt the provisions of the Abkari Act, which was meant to be a purely revenue enactment, to a policy of Prohibition were futile, or whether it will once again amend the Abkari Act in the light of the latest pronouncement of the Bombay High Court. One need only remind the Government of the future difficulties foreshadowed in the clear hint dropped by Sir Jamshedji Kanga in the course of his arguments for the Petitioner in this latest legal assault on Prohibition when he observed that it might be that the Government's power to refuse licenses *for sale* will also, very soon, fall to be considered by these Courts. It is to be hoped that the Government will do away with this system of "shreds and patches" on the infirm Abkari Act. They can best retain Prohibition as a measure of social reform by a comprehensive new Prohibition Act.

Frankly Speaking

Night Raids

It appears that the Nazis have decided to go all out to destroy Britain's productive capacity, her harbours, dockyards and shipping. The Luftwaffe's night raids are now incessant, widespread and increasingly furious, suggesting thereby that the Nazis are using literally their maximum strength. If that is so, the situation is not without its bright feature for the British too. There is a surprising growth in the effectiveness of British night fighters, with the result that the Luftwaffe has lost no less than 75 bombers—excluding 10 or more that are not likely to have reached their bases—in the first 7 nights of May as against 90 bombers in the whole month of April. At this rate of increasing success, the history of the Battle of Britain that was fought last autumn may be repeated against night raiders also and that too quite soon.

Portugal And Azores

In reply to Senator Pepper's suggestion that the U. S. A. and Britain should forestall the Nazis and occupy the Azores and Cape Verde Islands, the Portuguese Government has issued a communique that Portugal has received no request for the use of ports or bases anywhere by any belligerent, but that "Portugal would resist, though she does not expect an attack." One can appreciate Senator Pepper's suggestion in so far as the Nazis do not hesitate to launch any aggression if it serves their purpose and the Azores and Cape Verde Islands will obviously serve a very useful purpose. Nor would the Nazis wait to ask Portugal for permission to occupy. But action, even apart from the fact that it would be illegal, is not necessary on the part of the U. S. A. or Britain. Portugal herself has "forestalled" the Nazis and effectively garrisoned those islands.

Curious Attack

The Tass Agency of Moscow has authoritatively and angrily denounced a report regarding the transfer of submarines and destroyers from the Baltic to the Black or Caspian sea and regarding "concentration of large military forces" on the Soviet's Western front." All this report, says the Tass Agency is "the fruit of the sick imagination of its author". This denial is interesting because it authoritatively reveals Russian policy regarding Germany. Russia offers Germany a categorical reassurance but with a vehemence in language which provokes curiosity. Even more curious is the fact that the Russian attack is directed against the Domei Agency which only claims to have quoted an American Agency report via Vichy! This is hardly in keeping with the spirit of the new friendship between Russia and Japan.

Interesting Figures

Colonel Lindbergh now shares with President Roosevelt and Mr. Wendel Willkie the honour of having been made the central subject of a Gallup Poll. The resulting figures are not complimentary to the Colonel, but they are quite interesting. It appears that only 3 out of every 5 Americans, who ought to know, are familiar with Colonel Lindbergh's views on the International situation. Of those who know, only 24 per cent agree with him and as many as 63 per cent disagree with him. How deep has the popularity of the hero of a decade ago fallen! But there is another side to these figures. 60 per cent of those who disagree with Colonel Lindbergh want all the same that the U. S. A. should stay out of the war. The obvious conclusion is that an overwhelming body of American public opinion is pro-British but short of war. Two points, however, must be noted here. The poll was evidently taken before the supporters of President Roosevelt started "counter-stumping" Colonel Lindbergh and Senator Wheeler. Secondly, they concentrate upon the demand that the U. S. A. navy should convoy supplies to Britain, which is very clearly aid short of war.

Tagore Endowment

On the occasion of Tagore's 80th birthday, the Viswabharati, which is the Indian counterpart of the world University, has suggested the creation of an endowment fund to be named after the poet. The income from the fund will be devoted to promoting the study of Bengali literature and music, the building up of authentic records of the poet's musical compositions in a permanent form, the collection of original or photographic copies of the poet's manuscripts as basic material for critical studies. Already the Viswabharati has made the first contribution of Rs. 10,000 towards it and it is confidently hoped that all those, who are in a position to do so, will contribute their mite.

Hiranbai A. Tata

The death of Mrs. Hiranbai A. Tata takes away from us a well-known social worker, who devoted thirty years of her life to public service in different spheres. She did much for the many-sided progress of women, organized the Bombay Branch of the Women's Indian Association, and established free training classes for women. She went to England in 1919 to represent Bombay women and to plead with the British Parliament for a franchise for women in India. In that capacity she travelled all over Europe and it is hardly necessary to add that by her charm and her personality she greatly enhanced the prestige of our womanhood. She passes away at the age of 62 and many of her friends and co-workers will feel that she has been snatched away from them too soon.

Hindu Law Reform

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(The following is the fourth instalment of the Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association's Memorandum, being a reply to the questionnaire issued by the Hindu Law Reforms Committee.)

QUESTION 14:

Yajnyavalkya (Ch. 11 verse 143) has explained the stridhan as follows: "What was given (to a woman) by her father, the mother, the husband or a brother or received by her at the nuptial fire, as also that which was presented to her on her husband's marriage to another wife, or any other, is denominated a "woman's property." Vijnyaneshwar while commenting on the words any other' (adya) observed; "and as indicated by the word 'adya' (any other) also property which she may have acquired by inheritance, purchase, partition, seizure or finding, are denominated by Manu and the rest "woman's property." According to this interpretation by the Mitakshara the property that a female may acquire by inheritance or partition should ordinarily be her property and descend to her stridhan heirs. The tendency of the courts however appears to be so to curtail the rights of the female heirs and we find that in "Debi Mangal Prasad Singh v. Mahadev Prasad Singh. (1912) L. R. 39 I. A. 121" the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council ultimately held that Vijnyaneshwar's additional enumeration about the models of acquiring Stridhan went beyond the text of Yajnyavalkya and that property obtained by a Hindu widow on partition of the joint family property would pass on her death to the heirs of her husband.

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In no other system of jurisprudence do we meet with such restrictions as are placed on the powers of a Hindu widow in respect of property coming to her whether by inheritance or on partition and the sooner they are removed the better. The Association has all along been advocating that the property to which a woman became entitled as a result of the Hindu Women's Right to Property Act should be given to her absolutely. The Association has always pressed this point of view whenever an occasion arose for expression of its opinion on the bills to amend the Hindu Women's right to property act. Under the Mayukha a female heir such as a widow can dispose of movable property inherited by her by an act "inter vivos" but not by will. According to the Mithila School a widow has absolute powers of disposal over her husband's movables which she inherits. The Association would therefore recommend that the male heirs should be given an option to give the female heirs money value of the share to which they become entitled by inheritance. If this option is exercised, then the female heirs should have an absolute right of disposal during their litetime as laid down by the Mayukha. If the male heirs do not choose to exercise this option then the property taken by the female heir, whether movable or immovable, should be inherited with the power of disposal during her lifetime. On her death, the property, if any, should revert to the heirs of the original owner. Succession by heirs, whether males or females, should be subject to the payment of the debts of the deceased owner in proportion of their shares.

There is a growing tendency to increase the rights of and remove the restrictions imposed upon the female heirs in respect of the property inherited by them. In Mysore, a female having only a limited estate in property is nevertheless entitled to the undisturbed possession of such property and absolute and unrestricted powers both of enjoyment and disposition "inter vivos" or by will over the income therefrom. All the unappropriated income of any property in which a female has only a limited estate and all purchases and investments made by her out of the income of such property, unless clearly intended as an accretion to such property is deemed to be her 'Stridhan'.

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In Baroda also a woman formerly had an absolute interest in her stridhan and a limited interest in all other property. A great change has now been effected in that position by legislation. A woman now has an absolute interest in the second kind of property provided the value of such property does not exceed Rs. 12,000. If the property is worth more than Rs. 12,000, she has absolute interest in the property worth Rs. 12,000 and limited interest in the rest of the property. She has also been invested with a larger right of alienating the property. The principle of limited interest is now liberalised in two ways: (1) by allowing alienation for the endowment of educational institutions and for doing similar acts of charity; and (2) by restricting the right of challenging the alienation to special heirs and dependents.

The Association is of the opinion that the principle of limited interest should be relaxed and liberalised even in British India on the same lines as those adopted in Baroda.

For the acceptance of the suggestion made above there is a precedent in the English Law. Under the Administration of Estates Act, 1925, (15 Geo. 5.23 ch.) when an intestate leaves a husband or wife, irrespective of whether there be issue or not, the surviving spouse takes all the personal chattels and a sum of Rs. 1,000 absolutely. When the estate does not exceed that amount the surviving spouse takes all the estate. If there be residue left after the aforesaid provision is made, then the same is divided among the surviving spouse and the children the spouse taking a moiety and the other moiety going to all the children in equal shares.

SUB-QUESTION (a): With regard to impartible estates, they must be governed by the terms of the grant. There would however be no objection to a statutory charge being created in favour of women for maintenance.

It is necessary at the outset to understand precisely what is meant by the terms 'joint Hindu family' and 'Hindu coparcenary.' The late Sir Dinsha Mulla, in his book on the principles of Hindu Law, states that a joint Hindu family according to Mitakshara consists of all persons lineally descended from a common ancestor and includes their wives and unmarried daughters. A 'Hindu Coparcenary' however is a narrower body than the joint family. It consists of only those who acquire by birth an interest in the joint or coparcenary property. These are the sons, grandsons and great-grand-sons of the holder of the joint property for the time being. There is community of interest and unity of possession between all the members of a Hindu Coparcenary and upon the death of any one of them, the others take by survivorship that in which they had during the life time of the deceased a common interest and a common possession. Inasmuch as female members of the family have no vested right by birth they cannot be coparceners with the male members in the strict sense of the terms.

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"I, TOO, HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY"

By D. F. KARAKA

Sometime next week you'll see all over the face of this town, a poster on which there'll be the head of an Indian soldier. In the grip of his hand is the butt end of a rifle. His eyes sparkle with fire. His shoulders, his neck, his sinews are as solid as the rock of Gibraltar. Altogether he'll give you an idea of the Army that is India's, of the man-power, the courage, the strength that can speak for the three hundred and seventy millions in this country. And below this awe-inspiring face, symbolic of the Indian soldier, will appear the words: "I Too Have Something To Say". That is the slogan I have contributed to this war and I feel somewhat proud of it.

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Why have I contributed it and why do I feel proud of it? As a journalist, a nationalist and an Indian, I feel more qualified to speak of Indian public opinion than can those who are only the mouthpieces of Government, staffed on Anglo-Indian papers, in Government offices, on Defence Committees, who profess to speak and utter the voice of India. I have watched everywhere the reaction of this country to this war and seen how different it is to the accounts of it that appear in those papers, which men like Mr. Amery unfortunately read and from which men like Mr. Amery regrettably form their opinions. The impression conveyed by these professed exponents of Indian opinion is that wherever India is behind the war effort it is because the future of this country depends upon a British victory and because India is scared of a Nazi invasion.

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To my mind this is not the exact truth. Perhaps to a handful of rich men, whose fortunes are linked up with the Empire this may be so, but when a poor clerk goes to a Post Office to buy a Defence Certificate, it is not because he regards the British Navy or the Royal Air Force as the frontier of Democracy or the guardian of his insignificant wealth. He makes his contribution because he feels that humanity as made up of conquered countries like France and Belgium and Holland and Czechoslovakia and Greece and the others must not be allowed to die and to feel that they have fought for democracy in vain. Because, the innocent men and women in Britain have a right to exist in peace and their homes and their women and children are as dear to them as ours are to us. That is why the clerk in an office puts his four-anna stamp to a defence certificate and that is, too, why I give to a War Publicity Committee with which I have nothing to do, a slogan which I feel sure will tell.

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To me this slogan signifies two things. It is, in the first place, that this country has an answer which it has given to the invader's forces—be they German or Italian—on the sands of the Western Desert, on the hills of Abyssinia, on the oil-fields of Iraq and wherever else this gallant Indian soldier has fought on the side of democracy. But it has also another significance. It is that this untapped mine of man-power and resources has something more to say, which unimaginative men like Mr. Amery are denying it the privilege of saying. In this war, which is claimed to be a war of free people defending their freedom, is it too much to ask for our freedom so that we too may deliver our message to the Nazi invader?

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Mr. Willkie in his speech at a freedom rally was not blind to our state. If you read through his stirring call to the Americans to give Britain the help she needs, you will find that in his catalogue of free people, whose combined numbers he gives as 200,000,000, he is careful to omit the name of India. And it is rightly omitted, because even in propaganda, this American had the honesty to discriminate between the help of "the free people of England, the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand," and the help of India which is not free. What answer has Britain to that? None.

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And that is why my slogan will go nearer to the hearts of my countrymen than the half-truth that underlies "Defend India." It will bring to them a realisation of what is happening in the world to-day, of the vandalism and the barbarism in which this war is bathed, of the plight of innocent people who are really fighting for their homes and their freedom and of their right to live in peace and decency without fear of a Nazi Gestapo evesdropping at their door. It will bring nearer to them what our Indian soldier is doing. Above all it will bring home to Englishmen like Mr. Amery what this country wants to do, if only Britain would let us do it honourably.

I too, have something to say.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

It has been pointed out to us that Mr. S. P. Biswas, who, the other day, in an appeal to Indians to support the war effort, claimed to be vice-president of the Bengali School, and Bengali Association, Bombay, is connected neither with any Bengali school nor with any Bengali Association in Bombay. His claim to have been a co-worker of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose in the past is also challenged by Mr. J. C. Maitra, among other correspondents.

"Times of India."

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Replying to Mr. Jinnah on the question of its representative capacity, the Standing Committee of the Sapru Conference says: "Mr. Jinnah cannot have it both ways."

The Standing Committee doesn't know Mr. Jinnah.

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The Committee challenges Mr. Jinnah to publish the "ample information" which, he says, supports his allegation that the Conference was originated and inspired by Congressmen.

Again, the Standing Committee doesn't know Mr. Jinnah.

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WITH OUR ENDORSEMENT

"The Communal situation", writes a friend of ours, "has sadly de-Jinnah-rated."

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Cairo papers report that Rashid Ali al Gilani has left Baghdad.

We are glad to note that London at any rate takes this report for what it is worth.

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A Chungking paper strongly advocates "a democratic alliance especially of Britain, the United States and China."

We strongly oppose the suggestion. Comrade Premier Stalin will immediately withdraw his support to China.

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Some American newspapers interpret M. Stalin's assumption of Premiership as meaning that Soviet Russia is confronted with a "grave crisis", presumably a German threat.

Maybe. But couldn't these papers be at least as sensible as Mr. Churchill.

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In this connection, Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent regards Marshal Innoshenku's threat of "an annihilating rebuff" to any aggressor as very significant.

Yes, but why invite a Soviet rebuff by saying so?

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It is reported that two men had planted dynamite on President Roosevelt's Hyde Park estate.

It did not go off, of course, and the President is pressing on with the job of planting dynamite, as it were, on the Fuehrer's alleged estates in Europe and the Atlantic.

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Vichy has passed the Sultan of Morocco's protest regarding Tangier on to Spain.

What more could it do though?

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Both were very proud of their voice. At last to settle bets they had squabbled over the question to which possessed the better voice. At last, to settle bets they had made with each other, they arranged to give a recital before an eminent professor and abide by his judgment.

When they had concluded, the professor turned to the first, shaking his head sorrowfully.

"Your're the worst singer I've ever heard", he said.

"Hurrah!" shouted the other "Come on! Pay me that fiver!"

"One moment, please', said the professor, quietly. "You—er—well you can't sing at all!'

Japan Loses Hope Of Victory In China!

NEW SLOGAN OF TOKIO FOREIGN OFFICE

Peace With Better Trade Prospects: Heavy Air Attacks On Chungking: First Step Towards South Pacific Drive

LONDON, May 9.

"The Japan Times", an organ of the Foreign Office, which recently produced a sixteen point plan for peace between the democracies and the Axis Powers, has to-day made a startling statement that victory over China will be too costly for Japan.

The paper goes on to urge reduction of Sino-Japanese hostilities and asks for peace with a prospect of better trade.

BURMA ROAD WILL REMAIN OPEN

CHUNGKING, May 9.

A categorical denial that Britain is contemplating closure of the Burma Road was made by the British Ambassador Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr to-day.

Referring to the persistent rumours that Britain intended to close the road the Ambassador said: "I propose to stop these rumours once for all. With the full authority of the Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden, I am able to state, that there is no foundation for the rumours. The British Government's policy of friendship for China, as shown by the reopening of the Burma Road, remains the same and I can assure you that the Burma Road will remain open."

Eighty-one Japanese aircraft in three waves subjected the western suburbs of China's wartime capital, Chunking, to severe bombing this morning. Some bombs fell in the vicinity of the residence of the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, starting a fire nearby and also damaging a house where foreign visitors are staying.

In the afternoon fifty-four Japanese bombers laid a line of incendiary bombs a considerable distance along the motor road leading to the provincial capital of Chengtu from the western outskirts of Chungking wrecking hundreds of shops.

A third raid was made later. The raiders were greeted with heavy anti-aircraft fire but no raider is reported shot down.

BIG BATTLE RAGING IN NORTH CHINA

TOKYO, May 9.

After a lull of several months fighting has again started in North China, where Chinese troops have been infiltrating eastward along the Yellow River, says a Japanese dispatch.

Japanese units are stated to have brushed aside a screen of Chinese troops in the Chungtiao mountains, capturing a strong point a few miles east of Siahsien. The battle is developing on a front some 120 miles, stretching from Southern Shansi across the Yellow River into Northern Honan.

Jap. Planes Raid Kunming

The Chinese terminus of the Burma Road, Kunming, was raided by Japanese planes for the fourth time this year on Thursday. A communique says that military targets were hit.

The treaty between Thailand and France was formally signed in Tokyo to-day. The treaty is based on Japan's mediation terms in the frontier dispute between Thailand and French Indo-China.

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka who signed the Treaty subsequently said: "Japan considers that close relations between Japan, France and Thailand which have been strengthened by the Treaty shall never be weakened or overthrown by sinister designs from outside."

First Step In Drive Towards South Pacific

CHUNGKING, May 9.

Signatures of the Japanese-Indo-China Trade Treaty and the French-Thailand Treaty complete the first stage of Japanese penetration of the Southern Pacific, declares the Chinese official organ the "Central Daily News."

Next Tokio Move

It says Britain, the United States, China, Australia and the Dutch East Indies stand on the same front with identical interests and must jointly devise plans to meet the next Japanese move.

"We hope past mistakes,—too late or inadequate preparations—will not be repeated."

Non-Japanese Trade In Foochow Threatened With Extinction

SHANGHAI, May 9.

Non-Japanese business in Foochow, the treaty port on the Fukien coast captured by the Japanese last month is threatened with extinction as the result of the reported Japanese decision to readjust economic conditions in the city to requirements of the yen bloc.

An organisation is being created to consist of Japanese merchants from among Canton and Shanghai and Chinese merchants from Foochow. The organisation will be entrusted with the export and import of all goods from and to Foochow.—Reuter

Another U. S. Bomber Arrives At Manila

TOKYO, May 9.

Clyde Pangborn, the well-known American airman, arrived at Manila to-day piloting another consolidated bomber for the British far-eastern forces from the United States, according to a Domei message from Manila.

This is the fourth consolidated bomber that has arrived at Manila recently from America and the second piloted by Pangborn.—Reuter.

'BOMB BERLIN' SLOGAN FAILS

Result Of By-Election To Br. Parliament

LONDON, May 9.

The election cry of "bomb Berlin" which was raised throughout the constituency of King's Norton (Norfolk) has failed to move the electors at the by-election just held there. The candidates were Dr. Lumsden Smith, whose sole platform was reprisals for indiscriminate German raids on Britain; Stuart Morris, Independent Pacifist and Secretary of the Peace Pledge Union, and Capt. Peto, Conservative, who was formerly Aide-de-Camp to the Governor of Bombay. Capt. Peto was returned with 21,000 votes; Dr. Smith secured 1,696 and Mr. Morris 1,552. Mr. Smith and Mr. Morris forfeited their deposits.—Reuter

HITLER MENACE TO S. AFRICA

Smuts' Appeal To America Not To Stop Halfway

NEW YORK, May 8.

"Even if the Germans overran Egypt the struggle in Africa would continue", General Smuts declared interviewed by the "Christian Science Monitor" at Capetown.

"We are a hard lot and even should the Germans try to penetrate down here, we would put up an even harder fight than we did 40 years ago. Even then the British did not find it easy."

General Smuts declared that he was convinced, and a growing number of Afrikanders shared his conviction, that their survival and freedom were bound up with the common cause of the English speaking world. More and more people were coming to realise from the fate of other small nations that South Africa too would be swallowed up if Hitler was victorious.

General Smuts concluded: "You Americans, must realise now more than ever that you will have to pull your weight in one of the hardest and longest struggles the world has ever known. There can be no stopping halfway."—Reuter

Flow Of Nazi Fifth Columnists Into Turkey

LONDON, May 3.

Cedric Salter, the "Daily Mail's" Istanbul correspondent, cabled on May 2:

There is a steady flow into the country of German Fifth Columnists, many of whose faces I had no difficulty in recognising as being from Warsaw, Bucharest and Sofia.

They are arriving in groups of 200 by almost every boat from Rumania. They may have a hard task before them in Turkey, but I know them as past masters in the art of moral sabotage.

CHINA GETTING STREAM OF SUPPLIES BY BURMA ROAD

"Country Is Determined To See It Through", Says James Roosevelt

CAIRO, May 9.

"The Chinese are getting a steady stream of supplies by the Burma Road," declared Mr James Roosevelt, son of the United States President, when he arrived in Cairo to take up duties as the United States air observer with the R. A. F. in the Middle East.

"The Chinese are in pretty good spirits. They don't look for an early finish, but are determined to see it through," he added.

Mr. James Roosevelt thought that the British had the situation in Iraq well in hand, although it would probably take some time to clean up. He reports for duty to-morrow and expects to remain in Cairo for at least some weeks.—Reuter.

Negus' Plans

Democratic Parliament For Abyssinia?

Dr. Martin To Hold Important Post In First Cabinet

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, May 9.

It is reported from Addis Ababa that Haile Selassie intends to open democratic parliament as soon as possible as it has already been decided as to who should form the first Cabinet.

Doctor Martin who is presently in India will hold an important post.

Women will be enfranchised when sufficiently educated.

When asked whether he considered himself at war with Germany as well as with Italy Haile Selassie said, the enemies of Britain are Ethiopia's enemy. I am prepared to attack both fascism and Nazism. I hope to open roads between Sudan and Ethiopia to develop trade between Ethiopia and Britain.

Plight Of Jews In Rumania

LONDON, May 9.

A list of names of 280 Jews, who have been dismissed from various posts in Rumania is contained in the latest issue of the Rumanian Official Gazette, says a Bucharest message to the official German News Agency.

The message also states that dismissals are taking place in all large firms in Rumania over which the State has any control.—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND LEGATION AT WASHINGTON

WELLINGTON, May 9.

Arrangements for the establishment of a New Zealand Legation at Washington will shortly be made.

Mr. Langstone, the New Zealand Minister for Lands will shortly leave for the United States to discuss this plan together with trade matters. Mr. Langstone will be accompanied by Mr. Coates the Defence Minister, who will arrange for the supply of munitions.—Reuter.

Minister For War Transport

LONDON, May 9.

Mr. F. J. Leathers whose appointment as Minister of Shipping and Minister of Transport was announced last week becomes Minister for War Transport under an Order in Council issued to-day giving legal effect to the Amalgamation of the Ministries of Shipping and Transport.—Reuter.

Nazis Lead Gr. Puppet Govt. By String

CANIA (Crete), May 9.

Cretan newspapers commenting to-day, on reports of the arrests of the members of the former Greek Government declare that this false act by the Puppet Government of Athens constitutes a new proof of its total enslavement to the German and Italian aggressors "with whom it is collaborating in order to impose terrorism on the Greek people."

The arrests were ordered "in order to divert the attention of the people groaning under a foreign yoke from the responsibilities of those, who after having betrayed their country are becoming the first servants of the enemy".—Reuter.

MADRAS, May 9.

"We must cultivate a mentality which would rise up against exploitation of all kinds", said Miss Shanta Bale Rao, Assistant Secretary, All-India Trade Union Congress, who is at present in Madras, speaking at Royepettah on the best means of organising Indian labour.

BEVIN BOYS' AMBITIONS

Will Return Home Armed With Br. Skill For Helping Industrialisation Of India

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, May 8.

The happiest man in England to-day is Mr. Ernest Bevin. The arrival of 51 Indian working class comrades after almost eight weeks' voyage from India gave him exceptionally broad smile. When I saw him, I could not help saying to myself here is a man who feels his ambition and life's dream seemed to have been fulfilled.

Welcoming our comrades from India Mr. Bevin emphasised the ties uniting working class men of all nations. He would not speak much even if he could as Mr. Churchill wanted him for an important meeting of the Cabinet.

After greeting them in a brief speech, "my comrades, from India" Mr. Bevin ran to Downing Street. Although he wanted to shake hands only with a few, he could not resist staying to shake hand with everyone of the party.

Pointing out the golden threaded garland given him on behalf of the Indian workers, he told me I am going to wear it throughout the meeting of the Cabinet. I feel so proud of it; it brings me so close to my fellow comrades from India "I hope these lads swell time in England and prove worthy of their great country".

I talked to several Indian trainees who said they felt happy they landed in a country where everyone was fighting for life against reaction and for progress. All lads find the climate "not so bad after all".

They told me they had an uneventful journey, travelled almost eight weeks, now want work, seriously hoping to impart to their comrades in India what they learn here. When not working in factories a good many are going to study the British social life and several are going to participate in the British outdoor games. As one of their spokesman said "after all we need men in India for rapid industrialisation of the country. We must do our bit and leave it to our leaders to obtain for us the fulfilment of our life's cherished dream—full Self-Government for our Motherland"

PALESTINE JEWISH COUNCIL'S PROCLAMATION

"Volunteer With British Forces"

LONDON, May 3.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Jerusalem correspondent cabled on May 2:

A proclamation calling upon unmarried men between 20 and 30 to volunteer with the British forces was issued yesterday by the executive of the Jewish Agency and the General Council of Palestine Jews.

"The approach of war to our own shores imposes a sacred duty on every available man to offer his services for the country's defence" the appeal concluded.

States Muslim League And Anglo-Iraq Dispute

BHOPAL, May 9.

The Standing Committee of the All-India States' Muslim League met at raisen to-day and passed the following resolution moved by Mr. A. S. Rajasthani, Secretary of the All-India States' Muslim League:—

"The Standing Committee of the All-India States' Muslim League views with great appreciation and concern the timely efforts of the Turkish, Egyptian and Iranian Governments in particular to bring about an amicable settlement between 'the British and Iraqian Governments' and expresses the hope that the present hostilities will soon be ended to remove the increasing anxiety of the entire Muslim world and to check the further spread of the war to the orient".—A. P.

"Biggest Raid" On Hamburg & Bremen

GERMANY'S SUBMARINE & SHIPBUILDING YARDS REMORSELESSLY BATTERED: LUFTWAFFE LOSES 13 BOMBERS

LONDON, May 9.

British planes penetrated beyond Berlin as far as the Poznan region of Poland last night, according to a German High Command 'communique.' It says strong forces dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs at various places on the German north-west coast particularly Hamburg and Bremen.

A report estimates the number of British bombers that took part in the bombing of Germany last night at between 300 and 400.

NAZI SUBMARINE BASE ATTACKED

British bombers in record number profited by the fine weather to press home their attack on Germany last night despite strong opposition.

A British 'communique' records that high explosive bombs caused widespread destruction and many great fires were seen raging in shipyards and industrial quarters of both Hamburg and Bremen. Other aircraft made subsidiary attacks on Berlin, Emden and other targets in north-western Germany as well as German coastal shipping.

In daylight yesterday, shipping was attacked off the Norwegian coast. A German escort vessel was left listing and on fire.

Ten aircraft of the Bomber Command are missing from night operations and one from day operations.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked St. Naziare submarine base last night. In daylight yesterday, British fighters destroyed twelve enemy aircraft in addition to two enemy fighters destroyed by gunfire. Two British fighters are missing but one pilot is safe.

The total enemy aircraft destroyed last night are now known to be twelve.—

Biggest Raid On Hamburg And Bremen

Some indication of the scope of Thursday night's "biggest ever" raid on Hamburg and Bremen is given by the Air Ministry News Service. More aircraft of the Bomber Command than ever before participated in the raids in which the incendiaries dropped were to be counted in tens of thousands and high-explosives in hundreds of tons. Hamburg and Bremen were covered with smoke and fires were so dense that in the words of one pilot's report, it was impossible for observers to distinguish separate fires. Germany's submarine and shipbuilding yards were remorselessly battered and left blazing.

The moon and weather favoured the attack and although the Germans claimed this morning that their defences dispersed the attack, the British aircraft were in fact not prevented by either night fighters or anti-aircraft fire from streaming over both the cities in a constant procession and discharging whole bombloads on the appointed targets. The pilots' reports speak of "terrific explosions"' of smoke "rising to ten thousand feet" and of "most powerful bombs dropped into the heart of raging fires."—Reuter.

13 Enemy Aircraft Destroyed

It is now known that 13 enemy aircraft were destroyed on Thursday night, 11 by fighters and two by anti-aircraft fire.

The Luftwafres' loss of 13 bombers last night cost Germany 50 airmen. The remarkable manner which British night fighter planes were dealing with the raiders was illustrated by the experience of a single squadron which accounted for six Nazi bombers in 45 minutes. Patrolling an area off the east coast, states the Air Ministry, this squadron encountered a wave of enemy bombers coming towards Britain from the sea. The squadron leader saw three enemy bombers within a few minutes of each other. The first was in flames and was being chased by another fighter. The second, he shot down himself, while the third escaped after a brief exchange of shots.

Two bombers fell to a New Zealand pilot who has already received the Distinguished Flying Cross for his night fighter exploits. The first bomber's rear gunner tried desperately to beat off the New Zealander's plane but failed and the Nazi bomber went down in flames. Within ten minutes the New Zealand airman was attacking a second raider, which exploded after a few bursts from the R.A.F. plane's guns This bomber dived into the sea five miles from the shore.

Another pilot of the same squadron chased a Junker's 88 in moonlight for 30 miles out to sea, firing intermittently all the way. His final burst set the German plane alight and as it went away the surrounding clouds glowed red.

DANGER UNITES EMPIRE

But Enough Weapons' Required To Beat Nazis, Says Gen. Blamey

CAIRO, May 9.

Gen. Blamey has sent an inspiring message to London for the War Weapons Week:

"Never before have soldiers and citizens of the Empire been so united in spirit". he declares. "This unity has come to us out of dangers and distresses shared in common so that each appreciates the endurance and effort of the other. While you at home endure the blasting of the savages of Europe with high courage and fortitude, we want to tell you that we have met the Germans in the field. We want to tell you that just as twenty-five years ago, we found ourselves far better, man to man, than the Hun, so we find it again to-day. Just as in the last war he had prepared weapons years ahead, while we played with the arts of peace, so again he has stolen the years.

Just as we know we are better men, we know our weapons are better but we have not enough of them. Give us these in ever-increasing flow so that our men can meet the enemy on even terms. When we are able even to approach this level, we are satisfied what the result will be.

"From the Middle East the Australian Imperial force sends its greetings to the folk of an old land and tells you that it feels with you that same strength of spirit that will give us victory".—Reuter.

LUDHIANA, May 9.

A purse of Rs. 1,79,695 was presented by the Ludhiana District War Committee to His Excellency Sir Bertrand Glancy, Governor of the Punjab, at a durbar held here on Thursday on the occasion of his first visit to Ludhiana.—A. P.

Undaunted Despite Two-Night Raids

A Reuter staff reporter writes from a north-western town.

After the second night of intensive bombing by mass formations of enemy planes, the people of this town were going about their business undaunted to-day. The authorities have carried out mass evacuation of school children and compulsory billeting has been brought into operation to deal with the many rendered homeless. Extensive damage was done to property during the last night's raid and among the buildings which suffered was the new seamen's hostel, which was only recently opened. A. R. P. and demolition workers responded magnificently to the demands made on them. Workers to-day are dynamiting building endered unsafe by high explosive and incendiary bombs.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE

General Officer Commanding To Have Sole Charge

CANBERRA, May 9.

The War Cabinet has decided to appoint a general officer-commanding, military forces in Australia to have sole charge of Australian Defence.

He will deal with general strategical defence problems, troop movements and disposition of forces within Australia which hitherto have been a divided responsibility.—Reuter.

More Aircraft Factories In Australia

CANBERRA, May 9.

A big expansion in Australian aircraft factories is planned.

This was announced by Mr McBride, Minister of Supplies and Munitions, to-day. He said that they must have more and better planes. Details will be announced when Mr Menzies the Australian Prime Minister returns from his tour of Europe and America. Initial plans are ready declared Mr. McBride.

All aircraft factories will be extended and some will probably be duplicated.—Reuter.

ECUADOR-PERU DISPUTE

Mediation Offer By Argentine Foreign Minister

BUENOS AIRES, May 9.

The Argentine Foreign Minister has offered to Peru the mediation of Argentine Brazil and the United States for a settlement of the border dispute between Peru and Ecuador.

It is recalled that in October 1938 the President of Ecuador appealed to other American Republics to help in settling the question.—Reuter

Still Not Too Late To Settle Differences

TEHERAN, May 8.

Iran's surprise and regret at events which have involved her neighbour, Iraq, in bloodshed are emphasised by a writer in the newspaper "Iran". Suggesting that the two sides might have attempted to find a peaceful solution of their differences he hopes that it is still not too late to end the present unpleasant state of affair.—Reuter.

Eire Negotiating With U. S. For Purchase Of Food & Arms

NEW YORK, May 9.

Eire is negotiating with the United States for purchase of food and arms, says the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times."

The negotiations have not yet reached the stage of detailed discussion, he adds because Washington authorities are insisting on satisfactory guarantees that no supplies thus furnished will be permitted to pass into German hands.—Reuter.

Salisbury Stakes

King Scores Season's Third Success

'Myrabella Colt' Wins By Five Lengths: Gordon Richards Thrown Off His Mount And Taken To Hospital

The King scored his third success of the season and second within a week when "Myrabella Colt" which he leased from the National Stud won the Cranbourne Two-year-old Stakes at Salisbury.

"Myrabella Colt", son of the famous unbeaten Bahram and considered an outstanding chance for next year's Derby, started odds on favourite and beat Mr. A. Cox's "Jenepher" by five lengths.

Mr. Allnatt's "Muzloom" who came third was further one-and-half lengths behind. The champion Jockey, Gordon Richards, was thrown from his mount "Second Race" and taken to hospital. It is feared he has broken a leg.—Reuter.

More Jail-Room For Satyagrahis?

Bihar Govt. Creating Further Accommodation

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, May 9.

It is understood the Bihar Government is making further accommodation to welcome more politicals. The total capacity of Bihar Jails is about 9,000. The number of prisoners has gone upto more than 14,000.

Camp Jail Opened

The Government, with a view to relieve congestion and overcrowding in almost all jails of this province, it is reported, have ordered immediate opening of Phulwarisharif Camp Jail, which has a capacity of housing 4,000 prisoners but at present as arranged provision will be made for only 1,300. It is also understood that the Inspector-General of Prisons has been asked to keep equipment ready for 550 "A" class politicals.

Satyagraha At Parle

(From A Correspondent)

Sjt. Prabhaker Gopal Dev has served a notice of his intention to offer Satyagraha at Vile Parle today, Saturday.

SATYAGRAHA IN KARNATAK

DHARWAR (By Mail)

K. P. C. C. Office writes:—

ANTI-AMERY DAY:—Under instructions from the President of the Karnatak P. C. C. public meetings were held in Dharwar, Hubli, Bijapur, Mangalore, Bellary and other places and resolutions condemning the recent speech of Mr. Amery on India and supporting Gandhiji's statement, were passed.

BELGAUM DISTRICT

81 Satyagrahis offered Satyagraha in different villages in Savadatti Taluka on one day, 5th May.

Shrimati Ramabai Yalgi offered Satyagraha for the second time in Belgaum on 2-5-41 and was sentenced till the rising of the Court and Rs. 500, in default 6 months' S. I. Shri Shankrappa Pavate who offered Satyagraha on 2-5-41 was sentenced to 4 months' S.I.

DHARWAR DISTRICT

Shris Krishnaji Joshi and Sakrappa Lamani who were arrested for offering Satyagraha and sentenced to 5 months' S. I. each. Shris Khadarkha Uppin and Mallappa Nilkanavar were arrested and seatenced to 4 months' S. I. each. Shris Shivappa Khatavate, Chennappagouda Patil, Dharmappa Kuri, Mahalinganagouda and Basayya of Tuppada-Kurahatti were arrested on 3rd May for offering Satyagraha.

The following Satyagrahis in Bijapur district who were to offer Satyagraha on the 6th instant were arrested on the 4th evening at Managoli before offering Satyagraha:—Shris Bhimappa Yadawad, Karabasappa Biradar, and Basvantappa Guddad.

WARRANT FOR FINE

Shri S. K. Ramachar who offered Satyagraha was arrested and sentenced till the rising of the Court and Rs. 200 fine. A warrant has been issued to collect the fine. Rs. 100 has been paid by his brothers.

186 Satyagrahis From Bijapur

BIJAPUR (By Mail).

The Secretary, Bijapur D.C.C., writes:

From January upto April and in all 186 Satyagrahis have been jailed. Out of them one is a woman, one Harijan and ten Mohamedans. Total amount of fine is Rs. 275. Sixteen of these have been given 'B' class.

One Urdu Central School headmaster, one Central Bank Clerk, and one Municipal servant have resigned their posts and have taken part in the present movement.

D. B. VORA RELEASED

(From A Correspondent).

SANGLI, (By Mail).

Mr. D. B. Vora, Sangli, has been released unconditionally from the Yeravda Jail.

In C. P.

KHANDWA, May 8.

Messrs. Ganga Charan Dixit, a pleader and Sonji Bhau were sentenced to six months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 200 each for offering Satyagraha.

Mr. R. S. Joshi was arrested for offering Satyagraha and removed to the jail custody.—United Press.

HOSHANGABAD, May 8.

Mr. Jagannath Gadre of Timarni was sentenced to four months' R I for offering Satyagraha.

Messrs. Rameshwar Agnibhoj, M.L.A., formerly a member of Dr Khare's "interim" cabinet, Dadbhai Nayak, M.L.A., Gunjilal Tewari and S. C. Gupta have been released from the Nagpur Central jail on the completion of the term of their imprisonment.—United Press.

In The U. P.:

Arrests And Convictions

DEHRA DUN May 6.

The following arrests and convictions have been made in connection with Satyagraha:—

Rama Murti, one year's R I and Rs. 20 fine; Girja Dutt Dhulia, and Bishwambhar Dutt Barthwalin nine months R. I and Rs. 50 fine and six months' R I and Rs. 15 fine respectively

Aditya Ram Dudpuri and Shekhar Singh, Baldeo Singh Arya and Chandra Singh, have been arrested.

Chintamani Balocdhi, sentenced to nine months' R I. and Rs 25 fine.

Thakur Chandra Singh Arawat, Acting President of the District Garhwal Satyagraha Committee has been arrested. Bhagwati Prasad Dimri, arrested.

Daya Shankar Bhatt, Devi Prasad Juyal and Darban Singh, sentenced to nine months' R I and Rs. 50 fine each, Balwant Singh and Bachan Singh, sentenced to one day's imprisonment and Rs. 30 fine each. Chandra Mohan Thaploya one day's imprisonment.

Thakur Pratap Singh Negi former Acting President of the Garhwal District Satyagraha Committee, Thakur Bhakat Darshan Singh, Pandit Ishwari Dutt Sharma and Thakur Bhim Singh Rawat, sentenced to one year's imprisonment and Rs 25 fine each. Thakur Bhakt Darshan Singh has been fined Rs. 50.—A P.

Arrests And Convictions In U. P.

LUCKNOW, May 9

Six persons have been taken into custody under Sec. 129 of the Defence of India Rules yesterday, says a report from Fatehgarh. Three others have been arrested under Sec. 38 of the Defence of India Rules.

At Cawnpore yesterday eight Satyagrahis were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment and fines.

Following were convicted and sentenced to-day under the Defence of India Rules at Meerut:—

Basdeo Sahai till rising of the Court and a fine of Rs. 25; Chotan Singh Qabool Singh, Chandon Singh, Ganga Sahai, Ram Singh, Babao Ram, three months each.

Mehtab Singh to three months and fine of Rs. 20. Jairaj Singh to three months and fine of Rs. 75. Niadar Singh four months and fine of Rs. 30.—A.P.

Orissa States Peoples' Leader Arrested

CALCUTTA, May 8.

Sachindra Nath Banerjee of Village Pangasia, Faridpur District, has been sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules.

A message from Dacca states that Tincowrie Chakravarty, a Congress worker, whose movements had been restricted within the municipal limits of the city for the last six months, has been served with another order prohibiting him from associating or communicating with about a dozen Congressmen within the specified city limits.

SARANGDHAR DAS ARRESTED

According to a report from Dhenkanal (Orissa), Sarangadhar Das, an Orissa State's People's leader, was arrested this morning at Motunga.

A Sylhet (Assam) message states that Mr. Kirlli Bhusan Choudhury, a prominent worker of the Forward Bloc, who was interned in his native village, has been sentenced to three months' simple imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules.—A.P.

Punjab Convictions

LAHORE, May 9.

Following convictions are reported in connection with the Congress Satyagraha movement in the Punjab:

GURUDASPUR: Ram Labhaya and Jagdish Parsad sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 100 each.

HOSHIARPUR: Hari Dev, Khushi Nand, Amar Nath and Husan Chand sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment each, Sardar Kartar Singh awarded six months.

SIALKOT: Chaudhri Kidar Nath sentenced to six months.—A.P.

13 Congressmen Convicted

MADRAS, May 9.

Thirteen Congressmen were convicted to-day under the Defence of India Rules by the Third Presidency Magistrate for offering Satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city.

Mr. A. Narasimhulu Naidu, who offered Satyagraha for the second time, was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

The remaining twelve Satyagrahis were each sentenced to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.—A.P.

DETENUS' GRIEVANCES
Mukundlal Sirkar's Wire To Viceroy

NEW DELHI, May 9.

Mr. Mukundalal Sirkar, Acting General Secretary of the All-India Forward Bloc is understood to have sent a telegram to H. E. the Viceroy and to Mr. Danraj Sarma in Deoli detention camp in connection with the Detenus' grievances that have been submitted to the Government of India.—A. P.

Tagore Blesses

Brave People Of China

Reply To Generalissimo's Congratulatory Message On Poet's Birthday

SANTINIKETAN, May 9.

"It was with very great pleasure and deep gratitude that I read your message of congratulation on my birthday conveying your own good wishes and those of the Chinese people. Your affectionate remembrance of me was one of the special joys of the day, and I send my heartfelt thanks for your gracious words of goodwill to you and the great nation you represent", thus says Dr. Rabindra Nath Tagore in the course of a letter to Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek in reply to latter's congratulatory message on the occasion of the Poet's eightieth birthday.

The Poet adds: "The celebration of my birthday at Santiniketan is held on Bengal's new year's day which fell on April 14th. Hence it is also a time for a review of past and a forward looking hope for the future. The brave and patient people of China and their fortitude in suffering are constantly in my thoughts and I am happy in the opportunity to send them not only my thanks but a new year's greeting also. May their achievements in the coming year be great in all that makes for noble nationhood, and may the labours of their devoted leaders bear such fruit. May the innocent multitudes be spared from dire calamity to build their lives in peace. With this prayer, I renew my thanks to you for your gracious message."—A. P.

280 Sunnis Arrested

LUCKNOW, May 9.

Two-hundred and eighty Sunnis—Civil Resisters—were taken into custody this evening at the Idgah where they had assembled.

Speeches were made exhorting the Sunnis to be peaceful and fight for their right for publicly reciting 'Madhesahaba.'—A.P.

POLITICALS AND THUMB-IMPRESSIONS
Dr. Subbarayan's Plea To Govt.

MADRAS, May 9

Dr. P. Subbarayan, former Minister, who was recently released from jail, in the course of a statement says:

"Thumb impressions are being taken from some of the political prisoners. I am of the view that this should not be done, as identification of the prisoners of these classes is not difficult. I trust the Government will intervene and stop this unnecessary harassment of respectable people."—A. P.

Satyamurthi Suffers From Insomnia

MADRAS, May 9.

Enquiries made by the United Press show that Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A. (Central) who was brought down from the Trichy jail to Madras on March 4 last and admitted into the General Hospital as an in-patient is being treated for insomnia. His progress is slow and he is being given injections daily. He is not getting good sleep without the aid of some drug and this sleeplessness, it is stated, has been making the pace of his progress slow. Doctors have advised him to spend sometime every day outside his ward. He has been further advised not to read even newspapers to avoid strain.—United Press.

A. R. P. EXPENDITURE AND EXEMPTION FROM INCOME-TAX LEVY
Central Board Of Revenue Clarifies Its Position

SIMLA, May 9.

The question has arisen whether expenditure incurred by an assessee on air-raid precautions in connection with property used for business purposes is an admissible deduction under Section 10 of the Indian Income-Tax Act, says a circular issued by the Central Board of Revenue.

It continues the general principle is, of course, that if expenditure brings an asset into being it is of a capital nature and hence inadmissible, but it is not desired that in the case of expenditure for the purpose in question, there should be any disallowance unless an asset is brought into being that is of a durable character. On this basis, fees paid to air raid precaution wardens for lectures on air-raid subjects and cost of literature, etc., are clearly allowable. Expenditure on whistles, gas masks, etc., is on the border line as these articles last much longer than a year. A strictly correct way to treat them would be as loose tools and consumable stores and allow them to be valued at the end of the year.

The Board, however, considers that such a strict view should not be taken in regard to this purely war expenditure which should be wholly allowed. As regards any additions or alterations made to the buildings, plant or machinery as a precaution against air raids, the expenditure should also be allowed, unless it is clear that these are additions or alterations to the buildings, plant or machinery that may have a post-war value. In that case, the expenditure should be treated as capital and depreciation thereon should be allowed according to the rules.

The instructions apply equally to the computation of profits for Excess Profits Tax purposes.—A.P.

The Half-Column

By "Dim"

TALYARKHAN—To Indira and Russi, a son. Normally I do not include in this Half-column details of so domestic a nature, but I regard the birth of this baby boy as an event of some national importance—a pointer to the solution of the communal question. This marriage was of a Bengalee girl (Indira Bonnerjee, a granddaughter of W. C. Bonnerjee) and a Parsi boy. Both products of a clean and modern India, they belong to no community, no caste other than that which bears the generic name "Indian." Their child, therefore, will bear the stamp of a joint endeavour of two young people to fuse the various communities into the one nationality that we know—Indian. In these days of communal strife, the birth of a baby boy, who fuses in him two such varied strains as Bengali and Parsi must be an event of national significance. Here may be the answer to your communal problems—intermarriage.

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Which reminds one that "Uncle" A. F. S. (Talyarkhan) will take complete charge of the boy's cricket future and if the Pentangular Committee want him to play, "Uncle" will say: "Definitely No."

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General knowledge question:—Which of these three does H. P. stand for?

(a) An (after-dinner) sauce
(b) Horse Power
(c) A Bombay Knight.

(All answers will kindly be addressed direct to Sir H. P. Mody, Bombay House, Bruce Street, Bombay and not to the Half-column.)

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News from London says that John Gieldgud's picture "Prime Minister" has been released. This is not Churchill, but Disraeli. Cinema friends, stand by.

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So as not to confuse its readers, about the identity of the "Mr. Stimson" who made a broadcast from America recently, our local Anglo-Indian contemporary, "The Times of India" should have said: "Mr. Stimson has nothing whatever to do with the 'Times of India' and any similarity in names between this unknown American gentleman and our Acting Editor is purely coincidental." (Without malice.)

FOUR POLITICALS ESCAPE FROM BELLARY JAIL

MADRAS, May 9.

Four political prisoners, Messrs. P. V. Siviah of Vinukonda, O. J. Joseph of Travancore, T. R. Subramaniam of Madras and Sankaram of Malabar escaped last night from the Alipuram jail (Bellary) by forcibly removing the wire-netting in their block, according to a report in the "Hindu" from its Bellary correspondent.

The Superintendent of Police visited the Jail to-day. A case has been registered against them.—A. P.

Quit Order On Bose's Nephew

CALCUTTA, May 9.

Mrs. Lilabati Ray, a prominent member of the All-India Forward Bloc, was served to-day with an order under the Defence of India Rules by the Central Government, directing her to remain within the province of Bengal and to report her movemens to the authorities concerned.

QUIT ORDER

Mr. Arabindo Bose, a nephew of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, has been served with an order by the Bengal Government, directing him to quit Calcutta immediately and to reside in his home village Innkodalia (24 Parganas).—A.P.

A meeting of the Standing Emigration Committee has been called to meet at Simla on May 15.

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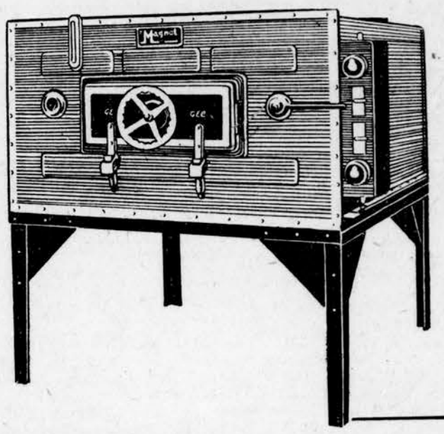

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MUTT AND JEFF—Well, Boys and Girls, Don't Get Discouraged—It Isn't June Yet By BUD FISHER

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HOW NICE!
YEH! AND BEING THAT THIS IS THEIR FIRST VENTURE INTO THE SEA OF MATRIMONY! WE NEIGHBORS DECIDED TO TAKE UP A COLLECTION AS A WEDDING GIFT TO START THEM OFF RIGHT!
WILL YOU CONTRIBUTE SOMETHING?
SURE! WAIT JUST A SECOND!
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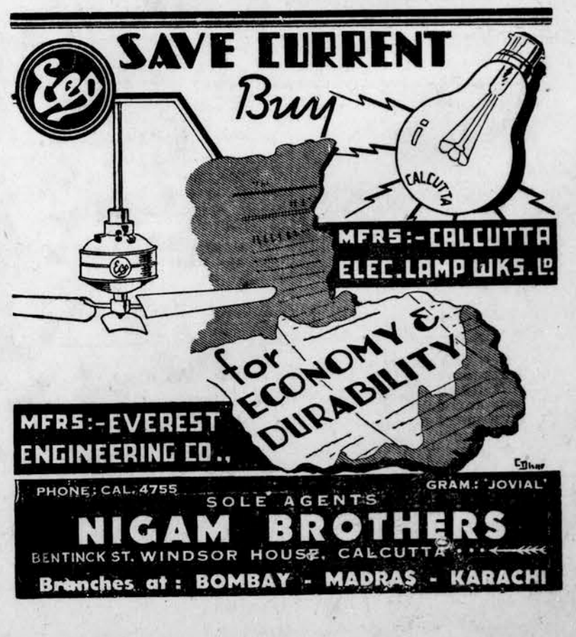

World Of Sport: Home And Abroad

A Queer Case Of Suspension In Football

(BY LOOKER-ON.)

The other day there was a protest from the Central Bank Sports Club against the St Francis Sports Club, the charge being that a player named J. D'Souza suspended by the W. I. F. A. last year for a period of two years had taken part in a meeting of these two teams in the Nadkarni Cup Tournament. The W. I. F. A. called the player concerned and the Secretaries of both the clubs The player swore that he was not the J. D'Souza suspended by the W. I. F. A. and that he was never the Captain of the St. Francis. He was supported in this by the Secretary of his Club. The Secretary of the Central Bank Club was rather non-plussed at this. He had no evidence to prove that the accused was the suspended player. So he withdrew his protest with the approval of the W. I. F. A. Committee.

IDENTIFICATION DIFFICULTY

Now the funny part of it is this that the player suspended by the W. I. F. A. never appeared before the Inquiry Committee. He has avoided them upto now. The Secretary of the St. Francis says that he has left his club and he does not know where he is. The difficulty of the W. I. F. A. arises from the fact that there are three J. D'Souzas in that club. And none of them can be identified as the culprit. The W. I. F. A. will certainly be grateful to anybody who can prove that Jovenian D'Souza, the tall centre-half of the St. Francis, was its Captain at any time last year I have no doubt the W. I. F. A. will then deal with him as he deserves. Until then he has to be given the benefit of doubt.

WANGLING OF PLAYERS

In Calcutta, the Delhi Youngmen recently fielded two players in the Beighton Cup who had played for the Baria State in the Aga Khan Tournament, Bombay. The Bengal Hockey Association, after ordering a replay of the match with the Bhagwant Club, has reported the matter to the Indian Hockey Federation. I hope the Federation will take drastic action against the offending players, because this sort of thing must be nipped in the bud. Last year the Delhi Youngmen brought a player to Bombay for the Rovers Cup who was later spotted as a member of the Mahomedan Sporting Club of Calcutta It is time for Club authorities are made to realise that they cannot avoid the Transfer Rules in the manner some are trying to do.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST UMPIRING

It is reported from Calcutta that weak umpiring in the replayed match between Bhagwant Club and Delhi Youngmen led to much bad blood, culminating in an injury to one of the Delhi players and suspension of Moses of the Tikamgarh team. Evidently Calcutta suffers from bad umpiring as any other place in the world. I do not know if it is worse. But our local umpires have come in for a good bit of criticism at the hands of the public and the press this season It is said that there are too many officials on the list, but few turn out for service. I understand as many as 68 of these gentlemen had the privilege of witnessing the Aga Khan Tournament free of charge. It would be interesting to know how many times each of them had officiated this season!

INFLUX OF NEW BLOOD

A gratifying feature is that several youngmen have come forward to take up this thankless task. I wish the elder people would take them in hand and help them to learn the finer points of umpiring which increases efficiency to a great extent.

In football most of the old hands are out of it The W. I. F. A. will have to rely mostly on younger talents this season There are a few promising ones at hand. The Football authorities have been paying special attention to them. Lectures and practical demonstrations of some of the intricate points of law must be helping them a lot. We hope the general supervision of their games will be good. Given proper encouragement, some of them may turn out first class later on.

BEIGHTON CUP HONOURS

The Beighton Cup, which is recognised as the Blue Riband of hockey in the East, just as the Aga Khan Cup is in the West, had a successful run in Calcutta. It must however be noted that the Bombay tournament was better patronised by the prominent upcountry teams than its Eastern rival. Notwithstanding, both the finalist teams were from outside the province and they were the Bhopal Wanderers, last year's holders, and the Bhagwant Club from Tikamgarh. The latter had actually been defeated by the Delhi Youngmen in the penaltimate round. But this decision was upset as it was found out later that Delhi had fielded two ineligible players. In the replay the Tikamgarh team, who are by the way the winners of the Aga Khan Cup this year, gained the verdict against their opponents. The final ended in a draw. According to the rules of this tournament, there was no replay. The Cup will be held by both the teams this idea?

A. I. Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey

BHOPAL, May 9.

Two outstation teams won their second round matches comfortably in the All-India Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament this evening.

Independents, Delhi, beat Huzur Club, Bhopal, by four goals to one, all goals being scored in the first half. Kalyanmal Club, Indore, gave an impressive display, defeating Feroze Club, Bhopal, by three goals to one.—A. P.

MUNSHI TO SEE PANT IN ALMORA JAIL

NAINITAL, May 9.

Mr. K. M. Munshi, former Home Minister of Bombay, has been permitted by the Government of the United Provinces to interview Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, ex-Premier of the United Provinces, in the Almora Jail. Mr. Munshi leaves for Almora on May 15 and the interview is likely to take place on May 16.—United Press.

X'IANS OPPOSE PAKISTAN AND STAND BY SAPRU

TRICHINOPOLY, May 9.

"The war is coming nearer to us every day. We are threatened from the West as well as from the East. At this critical juncture, every effort should be directed to the winning of the war" observed Dr. V. K. John, President of the All-India Federation of Indian Christians addressing a large gathering of Indian Christians at Trichinopoly to-day at the inaugural meeting of the Trichinopoly Branch of the Federation.

The Indian Christians as a community, he said, were opposed to the scheme of Pakistan or any division of India into different entities. At the same time they would press for adequate safeguards for all minority communities.

Concluding he referred to the Non-Party Leaders' Conference in Bombay and said, "We, Indian Christians, support the substance of the resolution adopted at the conference. A. P

Demand For Regency Powers For Maharani

KOLHAPUR, May 9.

A resolution requesting the Government of India to confer Regency Powers on Her Highness the Senior Maharani Saheba without further delay was adopted unanimously at a meeting held under the auspices of the Kolhapur Depressed Classes Association.

Nadkarni Cup

Y. M. C. A. In Final Again

B. E. S. T. CONQUERED BY THREE GOALS WITHOUT RESPONSE

The second meeting of the Y. M. C. A., the holders, and the B.E.S.T. on the penaltimate round of the Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament produced football of a pretty high order on Friday evening The teams were fairly evenly matched. But due to the tactical blunders of the Tramwaymen, and to bad luck to a certain extent, the Y. M. C. A. ran out victorious by the substantial margin of three goals to nil. The holders fully deserved to win. But the margin of score is a bit flattering to their superiority. They will now meet the Jagannath Fishermen in the final round on Sunday when a keen fight may be expected.

OLIVEIRAS' FINE GOAL-KEEPING

The Tramwaymen started off in a brilliant fashion. During the first ten minutes, they virtually laid seige on the Y. M. C. A. goal and bombarded it heavily. Butchi, Michael, Shantaram and Telang had all a try or two. But for the splendid goal-keeping of Oliveira, the Young Men would have been down by at least a couple of goals.

Then the field of operations changed to the other end. Paul in goal thwarted the attacks cleverly too. It was in the seventeenth minute, Paul in trying to clear a shot from Bhima Rao, the brilliant inside-right of the Y. M. C. A. crossed the goal-line. The referee who was standing nearby, promptly awarded a goal. A ding-dong struggle followed. Three minutes before the interval, Shakoor, headed beautifully a fine centre from Jesudian at the right wing and Paul had no chance to clear.

BHIMARAO SCORES TWICE

With two goals in deficit at half-time the Tramwaymen tried hard to get even with their opponents. But in their anxiety to score their forwards overworked themselves—dodging, dribbling, running from place to place. Every one was guilty of it. Butchi leading in the offence. This seemed to disorganise their attacking operations completely. The Young Men taking advantage of it scored a third goal through Bhimarao. This practically settled the issue. However, the Tramwaymen persisted in their efforts and the ten minutes saw them attacking the Y. M. C. A. goal repeatedly. Bad luck, and Oliveira, prevented score.

RESULT

Y. M. C. A. ..... 3 goals
B. E. S. T. ..... nil.

TEAMS

Y. M. C. A.: Oliveira; Francis and Moolay; Ramnath, Gafoor and Jayaram; M. Jesudian, Bhimarao, Shakoor, N. Rao and Biswas.

B. E. S. T.: Paul; Rana and D'Souza; Elisha, Telang, G Ram, Michael, Shivram, Shantaram Butchi and John.

Referee: J. Carswell.

TO-DAY'S FRIENDLY GAME

5-45 p.m. R.A.F. vs. W.I.A.A Staff.

SUNDAY'S FINAL

5-45 p.m. Y.M.C.A. vs. Jagannath Fishermen.

At the conclusion of the game Mrs. J. C. Maitra will distribute the prizes.

Obaidullah Cup Hockey

BHOPAL, May 9.

The Friends' Club from Chhindwara eliminated the Deccan Sports, Poona by the only goal of the match in the second round of the All-India Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament yesterday evening.

Earlier the Tiger Club from Rampur gave an impressive display to defeat the Kalyanmal Club Indore, by the odd goal in three in an exhibition match.—A.P

Calcutta Football

CALCUTTA, May 9.

In the Calcutta Football League match this evening Sporting Union beat East Bengal by one goal to nil.—A.P.

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AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE

Demonstration Parade

The parade and demonstration on Friday evening given by the Auxiliary Fire Service in conjunction with the Regular Fire Brigade was attended by a large and distinguished gathering including Mr. M D. Bhat the Municipal Commissioner and his deputies, Mr. R. H Haslam, A. R. P. Officer, Mr. J. Baldwin, his assistant, Mr. Kidu Dist. Supdt. of Police, Bandra, Editors of various newspapers, representatives of insurance companies, the Bombay Salvage Corp railway companies the Bombay Port Trust and other large industrial concerns and many A. R. P. Divisional and Group Wardens.

The volunteers were reviewed by the Municipal Commissioner who took the salute at the march past.

The various fire-fighting appliances were on view and their uses explained by Mr. Coombs Chief Officer, and the volunteers demonstrated the use of the fireman's lift and chair knot for rescuing insensible persons and first aid to the injured.

A canvas sheet was then spread below the drill tower and a number of men jumped into it from the upper floors; men were lowered from the windows by ropes and others slid down the rope with the assistance of hook-belts.

THE DEMONSTRATION

A large hut had been constructed and an air raid staged. Incendiary bombs fell into the hut which represented a living room and the furniture soon caught light. An Auxiliary Fire Service tender with volunteers quickly arrived on the scene and used stirrup pumps to check the spread of fire, followed by a fire engine with a small pumping set. After the fire was extinguished, dense clouds of smoke issued from the rear of the room and firemen and volunteers quickly donned gas-masks and smoke helmets to discover the cause of the smoke. Persons overcome by the smoke were brought out to safety while a special mechanical extractor drew off some of the smoke to assist the firemen. This was an unique demonstration as it showed how incendiary bombs may cause serious fires where inflammable articles are present.

A large tray of oil was ignited and the volunteers quickly brought their trailer pump into action and by using a special nozzle sprayed water on to the fire at high pressure and extinguished it. The fire was again lighted and a foam making machine was used to pour a layer of foam on to the surface of the oil and so smother the fire. How people are rescued from upper floors on fire was then demonstrated.

FIRE BRIGADE CALLED

Smoke was soon to be issuing from the upper floors of the drill tower and a woman appeared at the window calling for help and ready to drop her child to the ground. A street fire alarm box was broken and a call put through to the Fire Brigade. Auxiliary Fire Service volunteers arrived and spread a jumping sheet to catch the child. Ladders and fire escapes were extended and the entrapped persons on other floors were safely carried down. More engines arrived and high pressure streams of water were soon playing inside the building. One person was lifted from a roof by a turntable ladder and lowered to the ground Two of these ladders were then used as water towers playing water from above the building.

A message was passed round that the building had become unsafe and all the fire fighters quickly descended to the ground level and directed their jets of water upwards from safe positions.

At the sound of a whistle, all the equipment and appliances were restored to the fire engines and made ready for immediate use again.

All the volunteers have devoted a lot of time to learning the work of fire fighting and the demonstration reflected great credit on them and their instructors.

BHOPAL STATE MUSLIM LEAGUE

Support To War Efforts And Pakistan

BHOPAL, May 8.

Resolutions expressing loyalty to His Highness the Nawab of Bhopal assuring whole-hearted support for the State's war effort and endorsing the Pakistan scheme of the All-India Muslim League were passed at the first annual session of the Bhopal State Muslim League which began at Raisen yesterday. In the absence of Nawab Ismail Khan, due to indisposition, Alhaj Maulana Hazrat Khanosh inaugurated the session and subsequently presided over its deliberations.

The Chairman of the Reception Committee, Khan Bahadur Dewan Shaukat Ali in his address also paid a tribute to His Highness and said that Bhopal Muslims were most fortunate in having a ruler like him.

The war resolution passed by the session read "this session fully appreciate the war policy and war services of His Highness and assures that the entire support and sympathy of Bhopal people will be continuously associated with His Highness in this respect."

By another resolution passed at the session, it was proposed to appoint a committee to prepare a comprehensive scheme of Muslim reconstruction "so that the Bhopal state Muslim League could play its due role in the betterment of Muslims in the State."

The session also passed a resolution requesting His Highness the Nawab of Bhopal to "safeguard the political paramount position of the Muslims in the State in any constitutional reforms that might be deemed suitable at any time."

Messages wishing the session success were received among others from His Holiness Sardar Saidana Taher Saifuddin, Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung Bahadur President of the All-India States' Muslim League, Nawab Muhammad Ismail Khan President of the U. P. Provincial Muslim League and Nawab Jamsaheb Ali Khan of Baghpat.—A. P.

LOCAL BOARDS AND VOLUNTARY LABOUR

"M. D." Commends Example Of Surat

AHMEDABAD, May 8.

"Mahatma Gandhi has opened a new vista of service before the local boards whose importance is greater in India which is the land of villages" declared Mr. Mahadev Desai unveiling the photo of late Mr. Bhailal Patel the first Congress President of the Ahmedabad District Local Board. He gave the instance of the Surat District Local Board which constructed roads with the voluntary labour of villagers and said that local boards whose financial resources were for the most part limited could do a great deal with the aid of voluntary labour.

The Ahmedabad District Local Board passed a resolution to-day demanding an impartial committee to thoroughly enquire into the recent riots in Ahmedabad.—A. P.

BANNU VILLAGE RAIDED

One Kidnapped And One Shot Dead

BANNU, May 9.

The village of Domel on Bannu-Kohat road, about ten miles from here was raided about 9 p.m. last night. One person was kidnapped, another was wounded, while a third was taken some distance but shot dead on his refusing to accompany the raiders.

Arrangements have been made to intercept the entry of the gang into tribal area.—A. P.

Premia Of War Risks Insurance

SIMLA, May 9.

Premia collected under the War Risks (Goods) Insurance scheme during the period from October, 1940, to March, 1941, inclusive amounted to about Rs. 30,31,000 says a Press Note.—A. P.

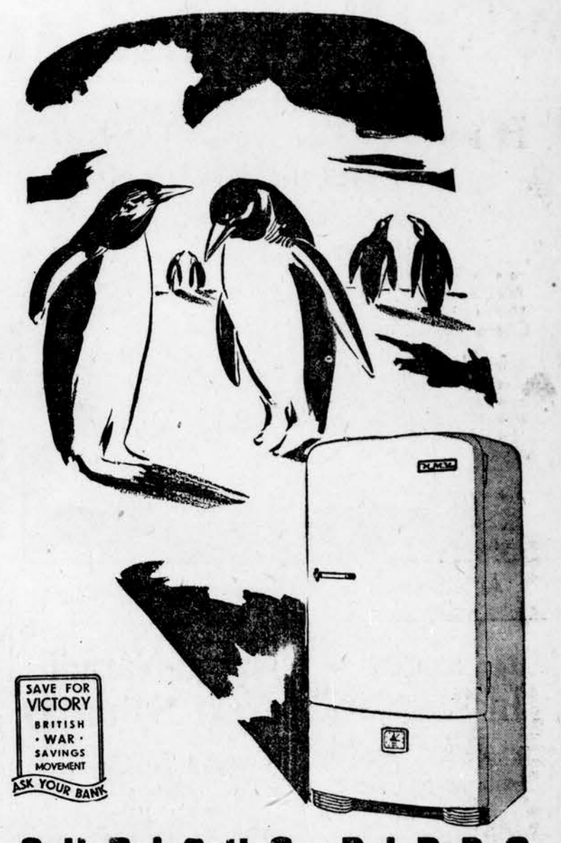
A. R. P. Expenditure And Central Exchequer

CALCUTTA, May 8.

The Government of Bengal have, it is learnt, decided to make a representation to the Central Government regarding the question of expenses to be incurred in connection with A. R. P. measures, introduced in the province. They are of the opinion that defence being a Central Subject, most of the expenditure for A. R. P. measures should be borne by the Central Exchequer.

The Chief Minister, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq will soon leave for Delhi to take the matter up with the Government of India.—A. P.

A Penal Reform Conference will be held at Lahore on May 15. The Rt. Rev. G. D. Barne, Lord Bishop of Lahore, will preside.



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Railway Inspectorate Separated From Railways' Cadre

SIMLA, May 9.

In pursuance of the recommendation of the Pacific Locomotive Committee and of the views expressed in the Legislature, it has been decided, says a 'communique,' to separate the Railway Inspectorate from the Railways' Cadre with effect from the 12th May, 1941. The Inspectorate will be independent of the Railway Board and of any Railway Administration. There will be five circles of inspection, each in charge of a Government Inspector of Railways, who will be subordinate to the Chief Government Inspector of Railways.

The Chief Government Inspector will have his headquarters with the Government of India and will be responsible to the latter in the Department of Communications.—A.P.

Military Training For Bihar Bureaucracy

RANCHI, May 9.

A scheme of voluntary military training for members of the Imperial and Provincial Civil Services has been prepared by the Government of Bihar.

The training will be such as to enable volunteers under the scheme to carry out internal security duties satisfactorily in times of grave emergency. Members will be given instructions in arms, drills and small exercises. The training is prescribed for eight hours monthly.—A.P.

Four New Indian Films Next Saturday

A folk-dance in 'Premnagar' at Novelty.

Gouri Scores In "Shejari"

Soul-Stirring Episode In Prabhat Classic

(BY T. V. P.)

What is the best scene in "Shejari?" It is full of beautiful scenes, thrilling scenes, pathetic scenes and romantic ones. There are scenes that appeal to our sense of humour, and those that affect our aesthetic tastes

The honour of the best scene, however, can only go to one that moves us most profoundly.

There is always room for differences of opinion on such a point. But the one scene that affected the present writer more than any other is such that he hopes other people will at least admit to be one of the best. In the writer's opinion, it is not only the most moving scene in "Shejari", but one of the most profound scenes ever witnessed on the screen.

In the dim light of the sunken sun, in the dusty courtyard of his thatched hut. Jivba Patil (Thakur in the Hindustani version) is gathering up the chessboard thrown there by the departing Mirza. The chess-board represents to Jivba, the dead body of a friendship that he had prized more than life itself. The emotions roused by the very touch of the board is too much for his weak brain to bear. He screams and shouts to his wife to read the Ramayana. Keshavrao Datey's performance as Patil here reaches its height of emotional expression. But the scene is deftly and ably wrested away from him by Gouri, playing the wife.

For any man with full blood in his veins, it is impossible to forget the sight of the wife reading the Ramayana at her insane husband's bidding. She has one eye on the book and the other on her husband. Her face is flushed and, though she is decorously dressed, one cannot escape the impression that every muscle of her body is tense with a premonition of catastrophe. Gouri plays up the situation amazingly. One can never forget her face, nor her voice as she raises it with nervous jerks.

There is a baffling mixture of contradictory sentiments in her acting—fear, despair, fortitude and pity.

Perhaps there are people who will choose some other scene from "Shejari" as the best one; but there can be little opposition to the choice of this one as the most moving.

'Lagan' Drawing Full Houses At Minerva

The New Theatres' latest picture "Lagan" is attracting full houses at Minerva as I found at the 3-30 show on Wednesday. Played by Saigal, Poet Harischandra is shown as a sensitive person suffering from ego. First he is pining for fame and wealth—which he gets. Later on, he is pining for the love of his fair pupil played by Kananbala although she is married to Din Dayal a wealthy newspaper magnate. He tries to persuade her to leave her husband and asks her to be his sweetheart.

The Poet's infatuation for her drives him into a mad fury and he does not know what he is about to do. The characterization of the ideal Hindu wife, by Kanan Devi, is ideal. The role of her husband is magnificently played by Nawab.

The supporting cast includes Jagdeesh, Nemo, and Vaid—who do full justice to their roles. Nitin Bose has again done the hat-trick of making "Lagan" a first class Indian film.

'Narad-Naradi' Next Saturday

Coming To Cinema Majestic

Among the "hold-ups" perpetrated by the goonda element in the City, were the hold-ups of new films. The Saraswati comedy "Narad Naradi" was a prime "victim". The delay in the release of this picture has been tantalizing. As there is every promise of its being an excellent entertainment.

Narad, the hero (or is he victim?) of this story is himself a unique personality. He is one of the most popular figures in Hindu mythology. A profound philosopher, he is author of the theory that the only truth and essence of all existence is joy. Popularly, his philosophical achievements are but little known. They are submerged in that other side of Narad's persnoality and activity, as the "spoilt pet" of the great God Vishnu and as a universal mischief-monger. Narad's irrepressible genius in setting people by the ear, has resulted in countless complications in "celestial history", not excluding major wars and dynastic feuds. Yet, the impish sage had no enemy, for he did all that he did with malice to none!

This Narad, who had the laugh in everybody's discomfiture in all the three worlds, but once had the tables turned on him. That was when he wished to give up his celibacy and to settle down to a domestic life. Narad discovered that it was any day easier to set a dozen deities at loggerheads than to face a single wife in her rage.

That story of Narad's discomfiture, the only one as against the thousand tales of his leading other people to ridicule, is picturised by Mr. Dadasaheb Torney as "Narad Naradi".

With Dinker Kamanna to play Narad and Kusum Deshpande in the role of Naradi (the wife), the rich fun of the episode is sure to have been uproariously exploited.

"Premnagar" In 3rd Week

Jealousy and passion are the two things about which man ought to be very cautious. For, once he falls victim to them, there is no limit to which the overwhelming spell might drag a man on the path of ruin and chaos. This bitter truth is adequately brought home by Scenarist, Vilem Haas and producer director Bhavnani on his latest creation 'Premnagar' which is attracting full houses daily at Novelty in its 3rd week.

Jayshree and Chandrakant in Prabhat's "Shejari" at Central.

SPECIALITY OF 'AMRIT'

Kinship Of Spirit Between Author And Director

Among the films awaiting release, one of the most promising pictures is Navyug's first bilingual production 'Amrit' which has been already known to be Navyug's most ambitious undertaking.

In this connection it is worth noting that 'Winayak', with his optimistic outlook on life and keen enthusiasm regarding the problems before present day society has always strived to interpret the ideology of renowned authors, who share his optimism, through his films. Thus, even in a grim and sombre film like 'Chhaya' or in an emotional hit like 'Devta we find that the characteristic spirit of Winayak's optimism pervades throughout, and it is the same optimistic spirit that explains Winayak's success in handling comedies.

It is for this reason that one eagerly looks forward to his new picture 'Amrit' which depicts a drama of human misery, deleat and triumph. The very word triumph portends what sort of solution 'Amrit' will provide to the conflict between rich and poor, but there is every possibility that the word triumph may give occasion for certain misgivings . To clear them away one must explain that the word triumph here does not signify the victory of one group, say of poor people in this case and the tragedy of the other rich people. On the contrary, it signifies that 'Amrit' will show in the end the triumph of humanity in general.

In other words 'Amrit' is expected to stress the humanitarian spirit which gets over all the fractions and conflicts between creeds, communities and classes, and naturally it is hoped that 'Amrit' will portray the characters of rich people with the same sympathetic understanding that doubtless will mark out the characters of poor people too.

One expects these things in 'Amrit' only because one is conscious of the sincerity, progressive humanitarian spirit, sympathetic and optimistic nature of Director Winayak as well as author Khandekar. That is the reason why 'Amrit' ought to be different from other social pictures and at the same time afford us an ennobling, elavating experience.

Besides this significant feature, 'Amrit' promises to be a hit for the simple reason that artistes like Baburao Pendharkar, Lalita Pawar, Winayak, Meenaxee, Damuanna Malwankar, Salvi, Master Vithal and a new child star Baby Devi are cast in principal roles. Navyug's production standard also assures us that 'Amrit' will be an outstanding production.

'Amrit' scheduled to be released at New West End, Bombay as soon as the situation returns to normal.

POWERFUL STORY OF "KHAZANCHI" WINS EVERYBODY

All's well that ends well. The trouble experienced meanwhile, is consolidated by the wise into an asset to facilitate the further journey of life. No one will wish to exchange places with the Bank cashier in the Pancholi picture "Khazanchi"; but, once the story ends, one cannot help wondering whether all that happened was not worthwhile after all. For, the experiences of the cashier are rich in human values. They are uncommon, but not improbable or unnatural. What happened to the good old man does happen every day to hundreds of good old men—but not in that degree of dramatic concentration.

The cashier is sent from Lahore to Bombay on official business. In Bombay, he is collared by a gang who use a wily woman as their instrument. The way the woman hustles the innocent cashier into going places and doing things, excites a lively sympathy for him and as lively admiration for the author and director of the story.

Later, the cashier is falsely charged with murder. And the very prosecutor is his own son who fails to recognise the father. There is, deep in every soul, a desire for sympathy and a fascination for martyrdom. These episodes in the cashier's life appeal to that desire in the subconscious mind of the audience. It is an irresistible appeal stronger by far than the appeal of comedy or light music.

That is how, despite the uncertain situation in the city, "Khazanchi" continued to draw good houses at the Krishna Cinema where it has now entered its sixth week.

An adult education class at work in 'Asra'.

Comedy Of Our Own Bombay

Local Appeal Of National's 'Asra'

It is rarely that one sees Bombay city providing the background of a film. For some reason or other, our film makers prefer the rural simplicity of the countryside rather than the teeming activities of our great cities as a foil to the adventures of their heros and heroines. National Studios' new comedy, 'Asra' however has its locale in Bombay. Many of the landmarks that are familiar to us will appear in the picture. It is essentially Bombay's own picture and many of the features of our city life are presented in a manner that will create considerable amusement.

It is good sometimes to laugh at ourselves and this is what Asra' gives a chance to the people of 'Urbs Prima in Indis' to do.

But this is not to say that the serious side of the life of our cities is entirely omitted. The adult education movement that had such a vogue sometime ago has its reflection in 'Asra.' Enthusiastic ladies go round canvassing support for education and enlightenment and carry on such a heated propaganda as will provide many lessons to the organizers of the actual movement.

'Asra' is a comedy par excellence and its appeal is therefore, to the people at large. This appeal is not only in the story, the dialogues and the acting, but to a great extent in the music also. The tunes of the songs are popular and it will not be surprising if within a very short time, 'Asra' songs are heard freely whistled on Bombay streets.

Sardar Akhtar voted to be the best actress of 1940, recently, appears in the leading role with a cast including Amar, who takes the chief male role, Husn Bano. E. Wasker, Kanhailal, Veena, Bhudo Advani, K. B. Lall, Ansari and others. The music is by Anil Biswas. 'Asra' gives a chance to two new directors Messrs. Lalitchandra Mehta and Chimankant Gandhi. The production has been carefully supervised by Director Mehboob and bears the impress of his capable hand. 'Asra' will, without doubt, be a picture worth seeing when it comes at the Pathe at the end of next week.

Seraphim Films

Seraphim Cinetone have started the rehearsals of Hindi (Souda) and Marathi (Copavar Vadhoo) adaptation of Mr. S. P. Joshi's Khadashtak, with the respective staff. The shooting will commence in the Imperial Studio within a short time.

Kamala Barodekar in Saraswati's 'Narad-Naradi' booked for Majestic.

Songs In 'Naya Sansar'

H. M. V. Records Lend New Value To 'Ek Naya Sansar'

By T. V. P.

Everybody who has seen 'Naya Sansar' will readily acknowledge the emotional and instructional value of the song "Ek Naya Sansar Basa Len." It has the potentiality of being taken up as a national song as I have said in my first impressions of the picture about five weeks ago and since then I have met many people who have agreed with me.

I heard recently the same song played as recorded by the H. M. V. and I felt that it lent itself beautifully to chorus singing. I tried the experiment with a few kids boys and girls and it was a marvel to watch them imitate Ashok Kumar's voice in the lower and upper keys so accurately!

On the other side of this H.M.V. record is the duet 'Kab Tak Chhipogi' sung by Ashok Kumar and Renuka Devi and that is also a fine reproduction. One notes with regret that the 'Akhbarka Dattar' song has not been received by the audiences of 'Naya Sansar' as it should have been. It is so interesting and full of meaning but it has been lost because, it is not very well recorded. Perhaps we may get a different experience on the gramaphone record because we will be naturally relieved of not concentrating on the action that accompanies its recital when we are in the theatre. I am unable to say anything positively, because I have not heard that record. Perhaps, it is not yet on the market.

"CAVALRY OF THE CLOUDS"

F. A. B. Unit's Latest Production

"Cavalry of the Clouds" is the arresting title of the latest one-reel topical film made by the production unit of the Film Advisory Board in Bombay. With "Here Comes the Letter" and "Sappers and Miners", it makes three films ready for release, out of the fourteen planned and under way. With the resumption of normal shows by Bombay theatres, the three films will be successively released.

"Cavalry of the Clouds" is of course a picture of India's air force. It features the romance of the life of the "air soldier," including of course the dangers attendant on it; for, there can be no romance without an element of risk or danger or uncertainty.

There is a small yet distinct tendency to look askance at short-films generally as constituting interested propaganda. While the suspicion cannot altogether be brushed aside as baseless, it is wrong to neglect pictures of the type of "Cavalry of the Clouds." The film is not so much war-propaganda as propaganda for an important avenue of worthy activity and enterprise for the Indian youth.

Flying occupies a place of growing importance in the modern world, both in the civil and the military sense. The growingly urgent need for national ability for territorial defence makes it imperative that the youth of this country do take more heartily to the air than they do now. Better facility towards this end is now available, and any effort towards popularising air careers among the Indian youth deserves the warmest encouragement and commendation.

"PARASMANI"

The Bengalis residing in the City and others mustered strong at the Kohinoor Cinema, Dadar and Pathe Cinema, Lamington Road on Sunday morning to see "Parasmani" a Bharat Lakshmi picture directed by Mr. Prafulla Roy.

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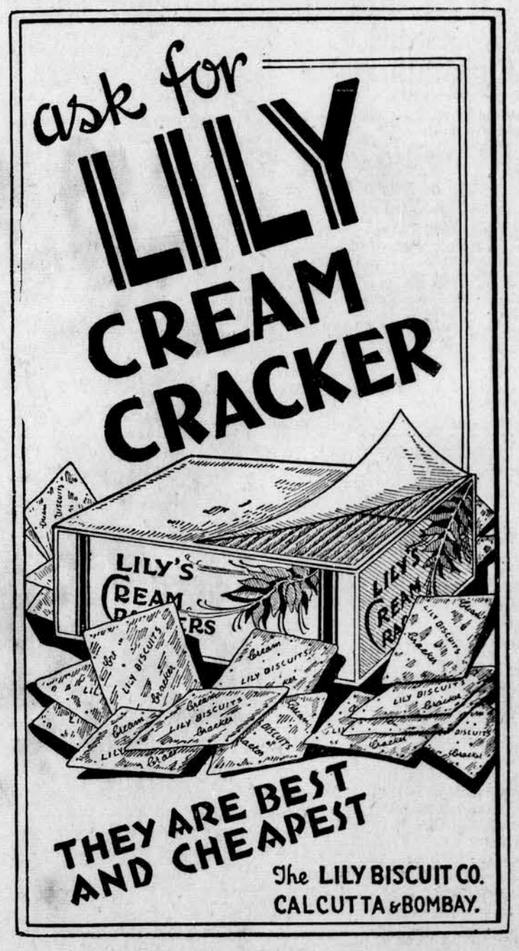

OFFICIAL VERSION

Indore Strikers Besiege Kotwali And Armoury

PRIME MINISTER INTERVENES AND SECURES CONCESSIONS FOR WORKERS

The Government of the State of Indore have issued a statement regarding the recent disturbances in connection with the strike of Mill labourers in Indore

The Communique says:—

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja Holkar have been dealing with the situation arising out of the strike of mill labourers in Indore, which commenced on the 17th April 1941, with the utmost tact and sympathy and they desire to palce before the public all the facts leading up to the acts of hooliganism by organised mobs which took place on the evening of Monday, 28th April 1941.

The mob, which at first gathered at Manik Chowk and in front of the Old Palace yesterday, was bent on defying authority and sections of it made a desperate attack on two Police Stations in the City, damaged and looted Government property and would have succeeded in breaking open the lock of the armoury at one of the Police Stations but for the prompt action of a Constable who opened fire and replied the mob.

The Government deeply regret that firing had to be resorted to.

The Government desire to make it clear at the outset that there are no economic grounds for the strike and that all reasonable demands have already been met. They have strong reasons to believe that persons in enemy pay and others are out to stop the war work in all factories. It is also clear that organised attacks on Police Stations for the purpose of weakening authority form part of their plans. For these reasons restrictions have now been imposed under Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code. These restrictions will be removed when conditions have been restored to normal and those who are found to have been responsible for creating disorder have been apprehended and punished.

KOTWALI BESIEGED.

The strike situation was well under control and the Government had approved of the voluntary settlement arrived at by the parties through the Conciliation Officer appointed under the Indore Trade Disputes Act and made known to all concerned. The situation was subsequently exploited by some of the Praja Mandal workers, notably Mrs. Sunderabai Pachorkar, who was arrested and kept in custody in the City Kotwali, but she was rescued by a mob of several hundreds who surrounded the Kotwali on all sides. She was taken on a chair in a procession and brought to Manik Chowk, where 8,000 people had already gathered. In the middle of the mob was a special section carrying red flags garlanded and many wearing red ribbons. The mob attacked the Police by pelting stones and brickbats, injuring several members of the Force, including the Inspector General of Police.

The mob at Manik Chowk persisted in their efforts to overrun the Police, but the timely arrival of the Reserve Police and the Military Platoon saved the situation and the mob was brought under control without so much as a lathi charge. The Police are to be commended on their forbearance in face of grave provocation. A portion of the mob thus drawn out of the Manik Chowk moved towards the Krishnapura Bridge. They raided the Juna Topkhana Police Station, cut the electric wires, looted Government property, including handcuffs and 11 bicycles, some of which they threw in the river.

ATTACK ON ARMOURY.

Another section of the mob proceeded to Ranipura Police Station which they attacked with stones and brickbats. The Police Station staff was unable to cope with this rush by a large and excited mob. The Junior Sub-Inspector got a very nasty cut in his neck and actually fell down, after which the mob attempted to break open the lock of the armoury containing Police rifles and armaments, when one of the Constables had to fire to foil the attempt, wounding 14 persons.

The wounded were taken to the M. T. Hospital and four of them have since died in the hospital. A few minutes after the firing, a State motor-car with a loud-speaker was in the vicinity of Ranipura Police Station and this was attacked by the mob. The car was damaged and the Labour Officer and a Sub-Inspector of Police who were in it were injured.

The Prime Minister, on receipt of information, visited the M. T. Hospital about midnight and made enquiries of the condition of those injured. He then proceeded to Ranipura Police Station and saw the extent of the damage.

GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL.

The Government make an earnest appeal to the mill workers not to allow themselves to be duped by goondas and outside interested agencies who have been exploiting the situation for their own ends. The blame for these acts of hooliganism also rests on those merchants of Malharganj, Chhota and Bara Sarafa and Tukoji Rao Cloth Market who have been helping the strikers financially and in other ways for prolonging the strike, especially in view of the fact that the parties had settled their dispute voluntarily.

The Prime Minister interviewed a number of representatives of mill workers and secured for them more generous terms than those already agreed upon. He assured them that those drawing Rs. 25 and under would get a Dearness Allowance of Rs. 2 a month for nine months from July 1940 to April 1941 and all workers drawing up to Rs 45 would get Rs. 1-8-0 a month for the same period.

He further gave an assurance that all weavers (irrespective of pay) would get the benefit of the allowance. The workers, some of whom were members of the original Strike Committee, assured the Prime Minister that they would resume work if an assurance was given to them that they would not be molested by interested instigators.

The Government trust that all mill labourers, in their own interest and in the interest of peace and security, will resume work immediately.

80 Persons So Far Arrested In Indore

Sec. 144 Extended To May 12

INDORE, May 8.

The situation at Indore is under control. No further incidents have been reported since the riots of April 28.

The mill strike however continues.

As a precautionary measure the order under Section 144 has been extended till May 12 prohibiting assembly of more than five persons and arraying of weapons or missiles. The Curfew Order has been withdrawn. Eighty persons have been arrested so far.

Mr. R. A. Horton, C. I. E., lately Inspector-General of Police, United Provinces, and now Inspector-General of Police, Indore, has been appointed Minister in Charge of Police for the period during the Maharaja's absence abroad.—A. P.

MADRAS ASSEMBLY SPEAKER'S STATUS

Not Allowed To Do Official Duties From Inside Prison Like Tandon

MADRAS, May 8.

The Madras Government are not following the practice of the United Provinces Government in allowing the Speaker of the Assembly to do his official duties from inside the prison, according to a report in the "Hindu" from its Ootacamund correspondent.

The report adds that the Speaker of the Madras Assembly who is detained in Vellore jail is not treated differently from other detenus in regard to their public or private business.—A. P.

81 Congressmen Offer Satyagraha

DHARWAR, May 6.

Eighty-one Congressmen offered 'Satyagraha' in the different villages in Savadatti Taluka on May 5.

In Bijapur District three Congressmen were arrested under the Defence of India Rules. They had previously intimated the authorities that they would offer 'Satyagraha'.—A. P.

Madras Advocate Jailed

MADRAS, May 8.

Mr. T. P. Meenakshi Sundaram Pillai, Advocate, who recently resigned his membership in the City Council, offered Satyagraha this morning by shouting anti-war slogans. He was immediately arrested.

The third Presidency Magistrate sentenced him to two months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 250 in default further two months' R. I.

Twelve other Satyagrahis were also convicted to-day for shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city and sentenced to six weeks' R. I. each.—A. P.

S. I. SATYAGRAHIS ARRESTED

BOMBAY, May 8.

Three South Indian Satyagrahis 'en route' to Delhi, were arrested and detained in Wardha Jail under the Defence of India Rules till further orders.

Ramarao Wasu was arrested this morning after offering Satyagraha for the third time at Talegaon.—A. P.

Pleader Jailed At Thana

(From Our Correspondent).

THANA: May 7.

Mr. Kamlakar Pandharinath Joshi, a pleader and a Congress worker of Chinchani, Taluka Palghar, who had offered Satyagraha at Chinchani yesterday, was tried to-day by Mr. B. V. Trivedi Additional District Magistrate, Thana, for an offence under Rule 38 (1) 5 of the Defence of India Rules. On the accused pleading 'guilty' to the charge, the magistrate convicted Mr. Joshi and sentenced him to four months' simple imprisonment and gave "B" class.

Basic Responsibility Of Central Govt.

Indian Commerce Chamber On Need For Balanced Adjustment Between Agriculture And Industry

CALCUTTA, May 8.

The view that the plea for industrialisation is not a plea for the stopping of all imports and achieving what has been characterised as 'a one way traffic in trade and commerce', is expressed by the Committee of the Indian Chamber of Commerce in a memorandum submitted by them to the Government of India (Commerce Department).

Referring to certain observations made by the Commerce Member, Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar during the general discussion on the Finance Bill in the Central Assembly in March, the Committee point out that they do not visualise further industrialisation to lead to the cessation or checking up of the country's import trade although it might result in an appreciable change in its character and composition. They observe that the very process of Industrialisation is bound to release the large potential purchasing power of the people and also increase production, both industrial and agricultural, thus giving a fillip to the import and export trade.

As regards the export trade the Committee feel that India need not be anxious to solicit an export trade at the price of an unnecessary and unwanted and even harmful import trade, as many of India's exportable commodities are of monopoly or semi monopoly character and hence must find a place in the world market.

As to the argument about a balanced adjustment between agriculture and industry, the Committee stress that leaving aside for the time being the question whether economic self-sufficiency to a large extent is not an ideal worth pursuing, the question of industrialisation is a matter of immediate importance in order to apply a much-needed corrective to the present lopsided nature of India's economy. They express the view that diversification of economic pursuits and alternative means of employment tend to act as safeguards for the agriculturists and there cannot be a properly balanced adjustment between agriculture and industry without such development.

In conclusion, the Committee criticise the Commerce Member's statement that under the Government of India Act, 1935, development of industries was a provincial subject and that the Government of India could not usurp the functions of the provincial government, and believe that "it is unfair to throw the responsibility on provincial governments while denying them the power to discharge it."

CENTRAL GOVT.'S RESPONSIBILITY.

They point out that even with the best of intentions, the provincial governments cannot do anything effective for the development of industries in the absence of sufficient resources and without a voice in the determination of All-India policy regarding currency, tariffs, railways, etc.

Under the conditions obtaining at present, the development of industries, therefore must necessarily remain the basic responsibility of the Central Government.—A. P.

Mahatma's Advice To Young Student

JUBBULPORE, May 8.

In reply to a young student who requested Mahatma Gandhi to permit him to offer Satyagraha Shrimati Amrit Kaur has advised him that instead of expressing his impatience to offer Satyagraha and court arrest, he should go to the villages and devote his time and energy towards the constructive programme and try to popularise spinning, Harijan uplift, communal unity and rural uplift work.—United Press.

NARENDRA DEO DOWN WITH ASTHMA?

(From A Correspondent)

AGRA (By Mail).

Seth Achal Singh, M.L.A., President, District Congress Committee, Agra, was released on Tuesday on one month's parole from the Central Prison Agra under orders of the U. P. Government. He has been taken to the Thomason Hospital for treatment. It would be recalled that for more than two months Sethji has been suffering from acute pain in his back and he was X-rayed.

It is understood that Acharya Narendra Deo is suffering from Asthma and has become very weak. He has lost about 10 lbs in weight.

Mr. Ganpat Sahai, Chairman District Board, Sultanpura, is also not keeping good health. He is not allowed to sleep outside.

INDIANS AT BASRAH SAFE

KARACHI, May 8.

Indian residents in Basrah are reported to be safe, according to the latest telegrams received here by the local merchants from their agents in Basrah.

Though communications with Iraq are delayed, it is stated by these merchants that they are not in any way interrupted.—A. P.

62 SUNNIS ARRESTED

LUCKNOW, May 9.

Sixty-two Sunnis were arrested in the city yesterday in connection with the campaign of civil disobedience launched by them.

Contrary to popular expectations the number of persons who courted arrest yesterday was much more than on the previous day.—A. P.

It is officially announced that Thika (engagement) ceremony in connection with the marriage of the ruler of Bharatpur with the third princess of Mysore was celebrated in an open Durbar at Bharatpur on May 7.

Thana Municipal Board Members Resign "En Bloc"

Protest Against Suspension Of Terminal Tax On Crude Oil By Govt.

(From Our Correspondent)

THANA, May 9.

At last, after a discussion extending for about a week, the 27 members out of the total strength of 29 of the General Board of the Thana Municipality, submitted their resignations to the President last night, as a protest against the Government action in suspending the terminal tax on "crude oil."

The remaining two members Messrs. Ovalekar and C. T. Ranadive were absent, the former owing to his resignation and the latter being a political convict undergoing sentence at present.

Mr. B. A. Taraporewala, who presided over yesterday's meeting of the Board also resigned.

Now the Government will have to order a general election or carry on the Municipal administration without the assistance of a Board.

This is the first instance in the Northern Division of a Municipal Board vindicating its self-respect and justifying its stand by resigning "en bloc".

Further developments are awaited.

KASUR, May 7.

The Sadar Police station, Kasur and Bhiki Wind Police have registered several cases under Sec. 38 of the Defence of India Rules.

It is alleged that some unknown miscreants have written anti-war slogans on the mileposts between Bhiki Wind and Khem Karan.—United Press.

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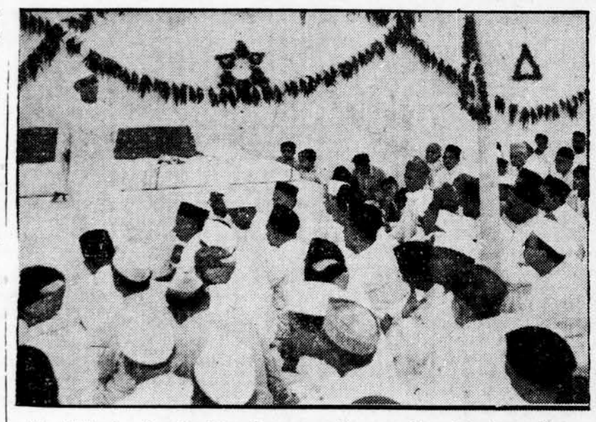

Mr. Mahadeo Desai addressing a meeting at Ahmedabad on the occasion of opening of the Lallubhai Gordhandas Hospital.

Jinnah Offers Excuse To Britain For Refusing Justice To India

Mahasabha Secretary Asks League President To Clarify Demands

MADRAS, May 8.

"Mr. Jinnah always refuses to be drawn into particulars. He dwells in the realm of vague generalities, elusive and aggressive. He thereby gets an artificial importance because he is so useful to the British diehards who are eager to snatch any excuse to deny justice to India", says Dr. P. Varadarajalu Naidu, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in a statement to the Press on the Sapru-Gandhi correspondence published recently.

Dr. Naidu proceeding says: "It is clear from the Gandhi-Sapru correspondence that Mahatma Gandhi's chief objection to meet Mr. Jinnah was his unwillingness to adopt the role of a Hindu representative as demanded by Mr. Jinnah, Mahatma Gandhi and his followers claim to be nationalists. They recognise neither the Hindu nor the Moslem for political purposes and Mahatmaji cannot, therefore, claim to represent Hindus in the settlement of communal differences.

This is a perfectly logical and honest attitude for the Mahatma and my only prayer is that he should stick to this attitude and refuse to be drawn into the communal controversy.

Whatever his theoretical position might be and however hedged round with conditions might be his participation in a communal conference, he is bound to be misunderstood and for all purposes he will be regarded as the spokesman of the Hindus if the Mahatma ventures into talks with Mr. Jinnah or anyone else for the settlement of the so-called communal problem and the consequence would be disastrous to the Hindus. The Hindu Mahasabha alone is competent to deal with the question of the new communal demands of the Muslims.

"It is not easy to understand what Mr. Jinnah's demands actually are. If he will only put them in black and white as he did once before when he came out with his fourteen points the problem can be simplified. If the demands are reasonable there is no necessity for prolonging this sickening controversy. If, however, they are unreasonable and impracticable and unjust we will know what we are up against."—United Press.

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CULVERT BLOWN OFF

BANNU, May 8.

A culvert on the Bannu-Razmak road was blown off last night by a bomb thrown by unknown persons.

The Political Tehsildar, accompanied by Khassadars, rushed to the spot and exchanged shots with the bandits who, however, took to heels.

BANNU, May 8.

Sardar Begukhel, a notorious outlaw, was arrested by the Lakki police from a ravine near his village. Though armed he offered no resistance.

Five camels carrying wood were waylaid at Dreghundi. Wazir, the camel-driver, was left with hands and feet tied.

TEN KIDNAPPED

Azamir Madi Khel, a hostile, is now holding ten Hindus kidnapped from Bannu District.

Another hostile, Aqib Shogi, has bought two Hindus for 1,300 Kabuli rupees from Din Faqir.

One Hindu woman from Dwar area is reported to be in the hands of Azamir Khushali.

Sheikh Din Mahomed arrested at Idak with 19 bags of maize intended for the Faqir of Ipi has been sentenced to imprisonment under the Defence of India Act.—United Press.

Rajbhoj Wants Withdrawal Of Satyagraha

MANABLESHWAR, May 8.

"A common platform for the various communities is possible only when the leaders are prepared to consider the communal problem dispassionately and with a mind free from personal ambition", says Mr. P. N. Rajbhoj, the Depressed Class leader, addressing a meeting of Harijans at Manabesh war.

Mr. Rajbhoj pleaded for acceleration of war efforts and asserted that for this purpose Mahatma Gandhi should withdraw the Satyagraha movement. United Press.

HOSPITAL FOR AHMEDABAD

Mahadevbhai Performs Opening Ceremony

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 7.

In the presence of the elite of Ahmedabad, an impressive ceremony was performed by Sjt. Mahadevbhai Desai in opening the Lallubhai Gordhandas Hospital, Ellis Bridge, near Railway Crossing, this morning. The Trustees of the Hospital are Sheth Kasturbhai Lalbhai, Sheth Sakarlal Balabhai, Sjt. Morarji Desai, Sheth Chinubhai Lallubhai Mehta and Sheth Vadilal Lallubhai Mehta.

Sheth Vadilal Lallubhai Mehta, requesting Sjt. Mahadevbhai to open the Hospital said that they had been instrumental in only starting this institution, but it belonged not only to the city of Ahmedabad, but to the whole province of Gujarat.

After gaining experience, he said, "we had an idea some two years back, that it was necessary to start in Gujarat hospitals in the manner of the Christian Missions. The latter are doing a lot of service to the community without distinction of caste or creed. The idea was to start hospitals all over Gujarat on the basis of such missionary hospitals, and have a body collaborating these efforts."

Sheth Vadilal also referred to their being able to get the service as Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Nanubhai R. Desai, F.R.C.S., who has made this a life mission and who intends to do selfless service for this cause.

Sheth Vadilal also commented on the fact that Sjt. Mahadevbhai Desai's visit to Ahmedabad was helpful also in improving the communal atmosphere.

Shri Mahadevbhai Desai, then delivered an extempore speech and declared the hospital open.

HINDU LAW REFORM

(Continued from page 6)

to Property Act, 1937, by laying down that the widow of a deseased coparcener will have in the joint family property the same interest as he himself had, has abrogated the rule of survivorship and makes the undivided interest of a coparcener pass to his widow, even when he leaves a male issue. The Act is silent as to the effect of the passing to her of this interest on the coparcenary itself. One of the rights that a coparcener possessed is that of demanding a partition, and sub-section (3) of Section 3 of the said Act has conceded to the widow that right. There are no words in the Act by which the widow so acquiring an interest could be deemed to be a coparcener. One is therefore forced to the conclusion that when a widow succeeds to her deceased husband's interest, she takes only by inheritance and not by survivorship. It is therefore natural to conclude that the coparcenary, so far as the branch of the deceased coparcener is concerned, has come to an end. The inheritance would therefore open on the death of the coparcener in question and such death ought to be construed as effecting a severance in interest and the widow and other members of his branch would be entitled to a share in the property as on that date. The date of actual partition should be considered immaterial.

It is therefore absolutely necessary to clear all these ambiguities by inserting suitable provisions in the Act by an amendment.

QUESTION 16.

In the opinion that the Association had forwarded to Government on Dr. Deshmukh's Hindu Women's Right to Property Bill, it had stated that radical amendment in the prevailing Hindu Law of Succession was necessary in order to do justice to Hindu women and to secure them the rightful economic and social status in the community. As however the general sense of the Hindu Community had not been sufficiently roused in favour of such a radical amendment, the Association had proposed that those sections of the community who were convinced of the justice of the claims of Hindu Women for equality with men in respect of the Law of Succession and inheritance should be allowed the liberty of giving effect to their convictions by enacting a permissive legislation enabling them to change the devolution of their interest in the joint family property. The Association had suggested that for the said purpose legislation may be enacted making it permissible for a Hindu to declare that succession to his estate should be governed by the Indian Succession Act. The Association had annexed to the opinion a draft Bill indicating the lines on which the Bill be drafted. A copy of the same is annexed hereto (Appendix C). It would thus be seen that the Association has been advocating the acceptance of alternative (2) since the last few years.

The Association has been advocating strict monogamy and has even drafted a Bill to prevent polygamous marriages in all communities. If a legislation to that effect is placed on the statute-book there would be no necessity to amend the Indian Succession Act so as to provide for a case where there are two wives to a declarant.

The Association feels that a uniform law of succession such as the Indian Succession Act would in course of the time, when its supplication becomes more and more general, tend to create and foster a sense of nationality and fraternity among the public and would tend to a more just and satisfactory distribution of the intestate estate.

The Association is anxious to see that the diversity that one meets at present in the law of succession is soon put an end to. There should be uniformity in the rules of succession under Hindu Law throughout India in preference to the maintenance of rules governing particular schools of law, e.g. Mitakshara, Mayukha or Mithila schools of law.

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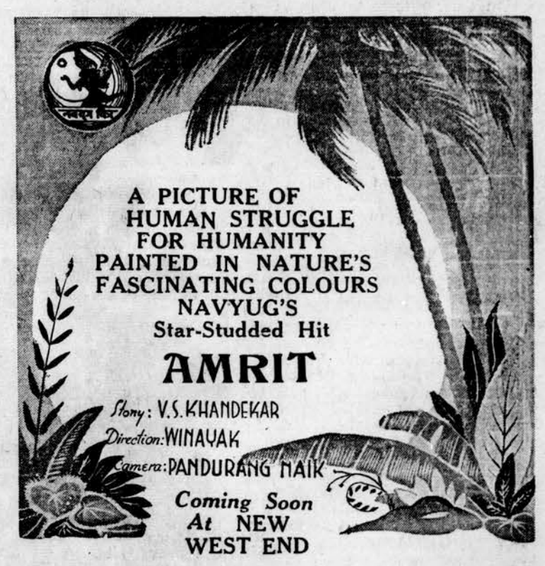

THE LATE PROF. J. P. TRIVEDI

A Humble Tribute

(BY PROF. P. N. DRIVER.)

It is the fate of many men to die comparatively unknown though they might be greater than many others immortalised by huge monuments and great publicity. Such has been the fate of Prof. J. P. Trivedi who died a few days ago. He was a silent worker, very humble and simple, yet I can say without exaggeration that he was the greatest man I have met in my life so far. Soft and sensitive, he was the kindest of masters and the sweetest and most hospitable of friends.

Prof Trivedi's life quite in fitting with the ideal preached by many religions—the ideal of the normal life of a married man lived according to the best traditions of purity, kindness and selflessness. His was almost a saintly life.

An Ideal Host

Prof. Trivedi's house was open to all his friends who could come and stay with him whenever they liked. Whenever one visited him one was sure to find some guest or other staying with him. Sometimes his guests would be so numerous as to make one feel that his home was never for himself but was a veritable guest-house or dharamshala with all the comforts of one's own home.

Prof. Trivedi's unique hospitality was due to his kind nature. He was kind not only to his nearest and dearest, but even towards his servants. Not only did he see that his servants were comfortable, but I remember his having provided even for their education. He was so good to his servants that at one time I felt that I would have preferred to be the servant of Prof. Trivedi rather than serve, as I then did, under a boss who had no sense of justice whatever. To serve Trivedi saheb was to love him and to love was to serve him.

There are many friends of his who confided to him secrets which they would not dare to confide even to their parents. Whenever in trouble they used to run up to him and he would always either console them or give them useful advice or otherwise help them in a more tangible fashion. When in joy we used to forget him, but when in sorrow we used to run up to him and he used to convert our sorrow into joy again. Now that he is no more we can only ask, in distress, God above "why should there have been only one Prof. Trivedi in the midst of hundreds of others to whom love, kindness and hospitality mean nothing at all?"

A Sensitive Soul

Combined with kindness there was in Prof. Trivedi a nice sensitiveness that is all too rare. Pain and suffering of whatever kind made him miserable. Perhaps had he been less sensitive he might have been happier. Never did he complain, however, of any suffering of his own. He would quite forget his own self when it was a case of helping others. Such was his ability to bear suffering cheerfully that, though he was suffering from blood-pressure, I did not know it till the moment of his death.

Prof. Trivedi's outlook on life was a philosophic outlook based on wisdom and a sense of proportion, which is very rare. Even whilst suffering himself he taught us how to face life with a smile, to search for the good in things which appeared bad. He dissuaded young men burning with zeal for service of the country from rushing headlong into anything lest their enthusiasm might cool down and they become cynics after having seen more of the defects of their own countrymen. "It is better to be a bad man than a cynic," he used to say.

A Devoted Follower Of Gandhiji

Prof. Trivedi was an ideal teacher and guide because, as it may be repeated, he had a sense of proportion about things which I have not experienced in anyone else. For this very reason he was not at all an extremist in anything. He was attracted towards Gandhiji because of his humanitarianism. He was not a nationalist in the narrow sense of the term, for he was fully aware of the dangers of rabid nationalism which can easily degenerate into imperialism. Though he did not like everything about Ashram life and freely criticised extreme puritanism, he was such a sincere devotee of all that is good in Gandhism that when very ill he went to Wardha to die practically on the lap of his beloved Mahatma.

Prof. Trivedi not only loved but actively encouraged all that was good. A very simple instance will suffice. Whenever he had to make even small purchases of biscuits he used to come all the way from Poona City to a small Irani shop in the Cantonment area. He had taken a fancy to the pot-bellied Irani proprietor of the shop, because he had seen him once give a handful of biscuits free of charge to some street urchins who had come weeping and begging for the biscuits. He told me subsequently, "Whatever you may say, these fat Iranees are a kind-hearted lot." He loved the Parsees specially because of their generous nature and culture, as he told me once.

Wife And Son

Prof. Trivedi was very lucky in one respect. It must be said to the credit of his wife that she gallantly co-operated with him in all that he did—even to the extent of leaving her own home in Poona to look after the young children of his brother who was unfortunate enough to lose his wife through a sad accident some years ago. May God give Mrs. Trivedi strength to bear the loss that has now fallen to her lot!

It is some consolation to realise that Prof. Trivedi has left behind him a son, Dr. Manubhai, who promises to follow in his father's footsteps. We can only pray today to God to give Manubhai strength to keep alive, with courage and wisdom, the flame of goodness lighted by his father, goodness which brought faith in life to men to whom the world was a dark abyss.

Prof. Trivedi brought hope to men who felt they were lost, wisdom to those who had erred and suffered, love to those who had experienced only hate and disappointment. He is not dead. God has called him for a mission where he can do more good to still more men.

NO MONEY FOR FLAG-HOISTING

U. P. Govt.'s Order To Local Bodies On Communal And Party Emblems

A U. P. Government order states that the Governor declares expenditure on the hoisting of flags representing communal or political parties as illegitimate charge on Municipal and District Boards' funds and should not be agreed to in future.—A. P.

TRIPURA'S HOMAGE TO TAGORE

Title Of 'Bharat Bhaskar' Awarded

CALCUTTA, May 9.

The title of "Bharat Bhaskar" was conferred on Dr. Rabindranath Tagore at a special Durbar held yesterday by His Highness the Maharaja of Tripura in celebration of the Poet's 80th birthday.

In conferring the title, His Highness referred to the intimate personal relations that have existed between the Poet and the Tripura House since the days of His Highness' grandfather, and to the inspiration that Tripura received from the Poet for its all-round progress.

It was the sacred duty of Tripura to offer homage on this auspicious day to the Poet who symboised India's culture and 'sadhana', and wish five scores of years as a humble token of deep love and regards, His Highness concluded.—United Press.

4 LAKHS WORTH OF TIMBER BURNT DOWN

LAHORE, May 9.

A large stock of teak wood valued at Rs. 4,00,000 is reported to have burnt as a result of a fire in a park near Lahore.

The municipal and the railway fire-brigades took over an hour to bring the flames under control. The cause of the fire is not yet known.—A. P.

Petrol Rationing Officer

SIMLA, May 8.

It is learned that the replies of the Provincial Governments to the Central Government's draft scheme for petrol rationing have now been received and are being examined by an officer of the Supply Department, who has been placed on special duty for the purpose.

It is likely that certain amendments to the original scheme will be made in the light of the criticisms received from the provinces. It is also understood that for the present there is no intention to appoint a Petrol Rationing Officer for India.—A. P.

Mayor's Efforts In Karachi Strike

KARACHI, May 8.

The strike of the workers of the Karachi Electric Supply Corporation has entered the 7th day today. Mr. M. H. Gazdar, the new Mayor, is trying to bring about an amicable settlement. Meanwhile some strikers have threatened to go on hunger-strike.—United Press.

SIMLA, May 9.

Under the auspices of the Bangiya Sammilani the Bengalee residents of Simla celebrated the eightieth birthday of Dr Rabindranath Tagore in Thekalbari Hall, Sir B. L. Mitter, Advocate-General of India presided.

U. P. TO MANUFACTURE POWER-ALCOHOL

Measure Against Shortage Of Petrol

LUCKNOW, May 8.

Regarded as a sort of insurance against the paralysing effect on commerce and industry of any future petrol-rationing scheme, production of power alcohol has now started in the United Provinces and its use is to be made compulsory in certain districts where the Power Alcohol Act is being enforced.

The U. P. Power Alcohol Act provides for the basic principles required by the public, namely, Government control and compulsory admixture of petrol with power Alcohol. With certain exceptions no petrol for use in motor vehicles is to be sold within any declared area except with an admixture of power Alcohol.

For the present the scheme is being introduced in the western districts—the Agra, Bareilly and Kathgodam areas—which can be served by the distilleries at Meerut.—A. P.

COUNTERFEITING MUNICIPAL WATER FITTINGS

Govt. Invite Opinion On Legislation Against Practice

All pipes and fittings used in connection with the water supply of the City of Bombay are examined, weighed and tested by the Waterworks Department of the Bombay Municipality and municipal marks are affixed or impressed thereon if they are found to comply with the rules made in this behalf.

Of late, complaints have been received by the Waterworks Department of the Municipality that pipes and fittings are being sold in the market with counterfeit municipal test marks thereon.

There is no provision in the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888 prohibiting the sale of such pipes and fittings and prohibiting persons from possessing die, plate or other instrument for the purpose of counterfeiting municipal test marks on the pipes and fittings.

The Corporation has, therefore, requested the Government of Bombay to amend the Act with a view to putting a stop to the above practice of pipes and fittings being stamped with counterfeit municipal test marks.

The Government of Bombay considers that, before any action is taken in the matter, the opinion of the public should be invited on the provisions of the Bill to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act. The draft Bill, with the Statement of Objects and Reasons, is accordingly being published in the "Bombay Government Gazette.

Any objections or suggestions in respect of the proposed Bill should be submitted to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, General Department, on or before June 15.

AMRITSAR TRADESMEN CALL OFF STRIKE

AMRITSAR, May 8.

The various commercial associations of Amritsar decided to-day to call off the hartal in compliance with the instructions of the President of the Punjab Beopar mandal.

Normal business in the City will accordingly be resumed from tomorrow.

The deadlock in the grain markets as a protest against the Punjab Agricultural Produce Marketing Act, however continues.—A. P.

Tax On Crude Oil Partially Suspended

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 102 of the Bombay Municipal Boroughs Act, 1925 and in modification of Government Notification No. 4207/33 dated April 29 1941, the Government of Bombay is pleased to suspend the levy of Terminal Tax on Crude Oil levied by the Thana Borough Municipality to the extent of 3/4ths of the rate at which it was levied immediately before the date of the notification, until such time as the said Municipality reduces the rate of the said tax as mentioned in the notification.

Dearness Allowance For S. I. R. Employees

MADRAS: May 8.

It is understood orders have been passed by the South Indian Railway Administration granting a dearness allowance to the employees of the Railway with effect from Sept. last. After obtaining the sanction of the Home Board for the allowance, the proposals were submitted to the Railway Board whose approval, it is stated, was communicated to the Railway Administration last month, whereupon the present orders have been made.

According to the orders an allowance of Rs. 2 will be paid to the employees drawing a salary of Rs. 34 and below; Rs. 2 1/2 for those getting between Rs 35 and Rs. 50 and Rs. 1 1/2 for those getting a salary of Rs. 51 and Rs. 60.—A. P.

Court Of Wards Must Follow Go-ahead Policy

Has Excellent Opportunity For Improving Lot Of Peasants And Forcing Advance Of Backward Tracts

(From Our Correspondent).

HYDERABAD, (By Mail).

The Nizam's Dominions constitute such a large territory that within its boundaries are situated jagirs, states, inamdars, sansthans, some of them as large as some of the full-fledged states in India, owing allegance to the Nizam but exercising full powers within their territories.

As is to be expected many of these states and estates are left with minor heirs or with the question of their rightul heirs disputed in courts.

All such estates etc. are looked after by the Court of Wards who manages the properties, estates etc., looks after the education and welfare of the wards and the welfare of the villages that come under its control for administration.

An insight into the working of the Court and how far it caters to the needs and interests of its wards is revealed in the Administration Report of the Court of Wards for the year 1938-39.

Money And Justice.

The Court had under its control as many as 45 estates at the beginning of the year, ranging from estates composed of one village each to an estate with as many as 240 villages having an income of several lakhs.

During the year under report two estates were released and three were taken charge of, thus leaving 46 estates in charge of the Court at the end of the year.

The report gives interesting details regarding the conditions on which estates were released and these show that the Court is far from high-handed and arbitrary. It deals with the claims for protection and rights of the various parties equitably and justly, and sees to it that the parties concerned do not feel aggrieved of bitter, the claims of old or minor relatives of the diseased owners being entertained where necessary even with mercy and generosity.

Two-Fold Duty.

The most important task of the Court is management of the estates under its control in such a way that the interests of the peasants who work on those estates are well looked after. It has also to see that the income and resources of the estates are not wasted in extravagant schemes and wasteful expenditure.

The other important function of the Court is to look after the training and education of the wards so that they may be able on attaining majority to look after their estates with modern outlook and in a spirit of progress.

The extent of the power that the Court wields is seen from the fact that it looks after estates with an annual income of over 40 lakhs which is equivalent to the annual revenues of some of the Second Class states in India.

The money that it gets from these estates can be spent on improvement of land so as to increase its income, on building new wells and tanks on cutting new roads, starting and conducting schools in the localities concerned, on maintaining medical centres, dispensaries, health centres and in other ways looking after the welfare of the people involved in the estates.

The figures given in the report show that the Court has been following an extremely orthodox policy, undertaking new works only when urgently necessary and otherwise attempting to maintain a 'status quo' as far as possible.

This may have been considered the right policy in the old world when things moved at the snail's pace. To-day the position is different.

These estates must come in line with other tracts and territories if they are not be a dead weight on the progress of the rest of the estates.

The Court has excellent opportunities not only in advancing the condition of the people on these estates but even in making up the leeway that many of them have to make up to get into line with the rest of the Hyderabad territories.

Let us hope that the Court will follow a more go-ahead policy in these matters in future.

Journalist Arrested In Kuala Lumpur

SINGAPORE, May 8.

Mr. R. H. Nathan, Sub-Editor of a leading Tamil vernacular newspaper published at Kuala Lumpur, has been arrested by the Kuala Lumpur police on a banishment warrant.—Reuter.

Secretly Directing Satyagraha Movement

GORAKHPUR, May 9.

The police have attached the property of two ex-rural development organisers against whom warrants of arrest have also been issued under the Defence of India Rules.

The authorities have reason to apprehend that these persons have been secretly directing the Satyagraha movement in the District.—A. P.

Bilaspur Council Dissolved

NAGPUR, May 8.

H. E. the Governor of C. P. has directed that the District Council of Bilaspur having abused its powers and institutions under its control to a grave extent be dissolved and that fresh elections be held.—A. P.

BAI KABIBAI BOARDING AT NASIK

There will be a few vacancies (for students studying for degrees in arts) at the Bai KABIBAI BOARDING at Nasik from the beginning of the next College Term in June. Free Boarding and Lodging will be provided to poor and deserving Hindu students. Preference will be given to Gujaratis. Apply before the 10th June, 1941, stating the results of the last examination with the number of marks obtained in each subject, to the TRUSTEES Bai Kabibai and Hansraj Morarji Charity Trust, 26, Holi Chakla, Fort, Bombay.

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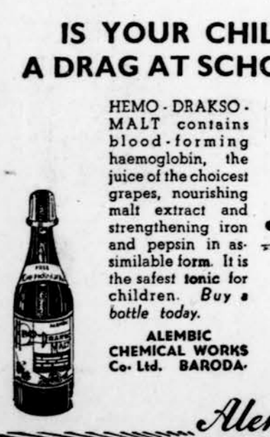
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Nazis Allowed Air Bases In Morocco And Syria?

Troops & Ammunition To Pass Through Occupied France

Enemy Submarines And Tanks To Be Built In France: Marseilles To Be Used For Transport Of Troops

LONDON, May 9.

The radio at Brazzaville controlled by the Free French Forces stated, "Secret military clauses have been made by Admiral Darlan in his agreement with Germany whereby the Reich will have the use of air bases in Morocco and Syria.

The agreement is regarded so seriously by Marshal Petain that he has left the south of France where he was resting."

There are several concessions to Germans agreed by the Vichy Government in strategic matters which would be of considerable value to Germany, it is pointed out in London. These include firstly transit facilities through unoccupied France for troops and raw materials destined for potential operations with or against Spain with Gibraltar as the goal.

Secondly, increased use and control of the port of Marseilles for embarkation of men and material for North Africa.

Thirdly, increased flying facilities in Morocco and strengthening of the Armistice Commission there.

Fourthly, still greater control or French merchant shipping and finally there is the question of Syria and the possibility of its use as a base against the Suez Canal on the one hand and the Iraq oil fields on the other.

It is unlikely, however, that the Germans would delay their plans by asking permission of Vichy to use Syria as a base. If they have any such intentions both Vichy and the Allies are likely to be confronted with a 'fait accompli', and this prospect has obviously not escaped the attention of those concerned.

Concessions to Germans agreed to by the Vichy Government are mainly industrial, according to information received by the Independent French News Agency from what is described as reliable sources. Concessions are summed up as follows:—

Firstly, French industry to assist in the re-armouring of German tanks. The Balkan campaign, it is stated, proved that the armour of the German tanks does not offer sufficient resistance to the Allies' new anti-tank weapons.

Secondly, France to help the Germans with submarine repair work. The R. A. F., says the Agency, has inflicted such damage on submarine repair shops in German and German-occupied Dutch and French ports that Admiral Raeder wishes to transfer the shops as far as possible to the interior, a plan in which French industry is expected to play an important part.

Vichy Denial

The report that Marshal Petain has gone to Vichy to confer with Admiral Darlan on the conclusion of his negotiations in Paris is denied in reliable circles, says a Vichy dispatch to the German News Agency. The Marshal is staying at his estate at Villeneuve near Cannes until the end of the week, it is stated.

700 Houses Destroyed By Nazi Bombers

Homeless Norwegians Pass Winter In Fishing Boats

LONDON, May 9.

Many people at Kristiansund have had to spend the winter in fishing-boats because German bombers destroyed their homes last summer, says the Norwegian Telegraph Agency.

A correspondent of the "Stockholm Tidningen" described the damage by fire there as the most catastrophic known in all Scandinavian countries. Seven hundred and twenty-four houses were destroyed and the damage is estimated at five millions sterling.

The Agency also states that all members of the Norwegian Trust Control Board which limited the activities of monopolies and controlled prices, have been dismissed by the Quisling Party.

Quislingites now hold the key posts in the control of staple commodities such as fish and margarine.—Reuter.

SPANISH MEASURES IN TANGIER ZONE RESENTED

Sultan Of Morocco Sends Protest To Vichy Govt.

LONDON, May 9.

The Sultan of Morocco has sent the Vichy Government a protest against the recent measures taken by Spain in the Tangier Zone, according to the Swiss radio.

The protest which was transmitted by Vichy to the Spanish Government states that Spain had no right to dissolve the body established by international convention which had been duly ratified.—Reuter.

Won't Repeat Mistake Of Last War?

Present British Plan Includes March On Berlin, Says Halifax

CHICAGO May 9.

The mistake of the last war was that the Allies did not march to Berlin, said Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, in an interview on Thursday.

He indicated, however, that Great Britain's long term plan this time included an attack on the Germans.

"They will get fed up with it before we shall", he said.

Lord Halifax emphasised Britain's need of American supplies quickly, adding, "How you get them there is your affair."—Reuter.

NEW WORLD MUST ACHIEVE THESE

Economic Collaboration, Eloborate System Of Security & Ordered Progress

CHICAGO, May 9.

"No peace with Hitler and his Huns would be a real peace" said Lord Halifax addressing the Commercial Club in Chicago from where he is making a week's tour of the Middle West

To build a new world Britain must join with the United States with all their youth, enthusiasm and strength.

The new world comity of nations must achieve three ends:—A system of security which would ensure international stability, a system of economic collaboration between free peoples and thirdly a system of ordered change in the relationship between states which would restore confidence in the integrity of the words of nations.—Reuter.

Soviet Not Massing Troops On Western Frontier

Moscow Denies Report Of Transfer Of Baltic Fleet To Black Sea

MOSCOW, May 9.

A report of the concentration of large Soviet military forces on the Soviet's western frontier and other reports of similar nature concerning the Soviet are strongly denied by the Official Tass News Agency, which says that Japanese newspapers publishes these reports from the Japanese Domei News Agency.

The Domei sent them from New York quoting an American news agency telegram from Vichy. The Tass says that it is authorised to state that this report of the Domei is "the fruit of the sick imagination of its author, that no submarines or destroyers from the area of the Baltic fleet have been or are being transferred to the Caspian or the Black Sea, no "concentration of large military forces" upon the western frontiers is taking place or is contemplated.

The Tass adds, "A grain of truth contained in the report of the Domei, but incidentally transmitted in a crudely distorted form consists in that one infantry division is being transferred from the district of Irkutsk to the district of Novisabirk in view of the better housing conditions in the latter place. All the rest in the Domei report is sheer phantasy".—Reuter.

AXIS ATTACK ON EGYPT FEARED

Fadden On Importance Of Defence Of Br. Isles & Suez

CANBERRA May 8.

Foreshadowing that the next German-Italian critical attack would be against Egypt, the acting Prime Minister Mr Fadden declared that the defence of the British Isles and the Suez was now of paramount importance Since the evacuation of Greece, the Empire had been concentrating tried troops in Egypt whose defence must be backed to the limit of Australia's productive capacity The moment had come for a supreme effort.—Reuter.

Eire Govt. To Control Both Capital And Labour

Limits Placed On Profits And Wages

DUBLIN, May 9.

Equality of sacrifice all round is the object of an order issued by the Eire Government on Thursday night to meet "the present grave period of crisis".

Wages may not be raised above the level operating on May 7 and no company may distribute a greater dividend than the highest paid within the three years prior to May 7 or six per cent

Changes in the status or capital of companies must have official approval. Labour organisations going on strike will not have privileges sanctioned under the Trades Disputes Act authorising picketing.—Reuter.

POWER OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH

English-speaking Peoples Won't Forgo It, Says Churchill

WASHINGTON, May 8.

"While the power of freedom of speech has been taken from many nations, it will not easily be taken from the English-speaking peoples who from writers, living and dead gather courage and constancy to strengthen us in the trials we must undergo." Mr. Churchill wrote this in a message to the American Booksellers' Association and it was read at their dinner here last night by the British Ambassador, Lord Halifax.

Declaring that Hitler had exiled or imprisoned his best writers, Mr. Churchill added: "A one-man State is an enslavement of the soul, mind and body of mankind."

The Secretary of the Navy, Col. Knox told the meeting that all the resources of the United States were committed to the one supreme purpose of seeing that British sea power in the Atlantic was not destroyed.—Reuter.

ITALIAN CAPTAIN AND SEAMEN CONVICTED

Heavy Sentences Inflicted For Violating U. S. Sabotage Laws

NEW YORK, May 9.

A sentence of three years' imprisonment was passed on Captain Vilson and the chief engineer of the Italian cargo vessel, "Villaperosa," for violating the sabotage laws by damaging the ships engines.

Eighteen months' imprisonment each were awarded to eight other members of the crew.—Reuter.

MEAT-DIET ONLY TWICE A WEEK

NEW YORK, May 9.

Under new regulations, consumption of beef lamb and goat meat in Italy is restricted to Saturday and Sunday, says a Rome dispatch to the "New York Herald Tribune".

Previously, consumption of meat was permitted on three days each week.—Reuter.

Momentous Decision By U. S Imminent

Vast Majority Of Opinion Behind Roosevelt

Public Support Assured To Roosevelt If He Decides To Lead Country Into War

WASHINGTON, May 9.

After Mr. Churchill's victory in the Commons, which created considerable satisfaction here, discussion in all sections now centres on what the United States must do in the very near future.

Many feel that the period of debate and discussion is rapidly approaching its end. Thereafter action must be taken either in removing the possibility of American intervention or taking definite steps towards war.

There is a feeling among officials and others that President Roosevelt is again behind informed public opinion, that he could have the vast majority of opinion behind him if he would take the lead towards intervention.

Circles close to the administration believe that the President realises his next decisions will have to be tremendous and he will not make them until he is ready, though they believe that such decisions can scarcely wait longer than a few weeks, if that.

ISOLATIONIST COMMENT.

The first isolationist comment to appear in Washington in the last few weeks is published in an editorial in the "Times Herald," which accuses Mr. Stimson, Minister of War of outlining his naval policy, but even this isolationist paper foresees American entry into the war soon and thinks that Mr. Stimson's speech means that the United States is heading for full intervention in the war, declared or undeclared, and that the Administration is preparing the public mind for such a war —Reuter.

"LINDBERGH IS PRO-GERMAN"

NEW YORK, May 9.

Sixty-three per cent of Americans, who are familiar with Col. Lindbergh's views—and these are three in every five—disagree with them, but even so 60 per cent. of these think that America should stay out of the war.

Of those who agree with Col. Lindbergh—24 per cent. of those who know his views—95 per cent say, stay out.

Thirteen per cent. are undecided about Col. Lindbergh.

Many Americans are of the opinion that Col. Lindbergh is pro-German.

These figures are taken from the result of the latest Gallup public opinion test poll.—Reuter.

"SHIPPING LOSSES GREATER THAN REPORTED"

Rear-Admiral Corrects U. S. Senator's Statement

WASHINGTON, May 9.

Rear-Admiral Land, Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, stated on Thursday that there was reason to believe that the actual losses of ships 'en route' for Great Britain were "substantially greater than the reported losses" which he had listed in a letter to Senator Vandenberg in answer to a question regarding losses of cargo vessels clearing from United States ports

It is understood that he told the Senate Commerce Committee to-day that the figures he gave to Senator Vandenberg did not include ships sunk in the Mediterranean or those on their return to the United States for more cargoes.

Senator Vandenberg told the committee that Rear-Admiral Land had informed him that "only eight of 205 ships that left our ports with supplies for England were sunk in the first three months of this year."

Commenting on this Rear-Admiral Land said that his letter had been misconstrued as being a complete report on a topic about which complete information was not available.—Reuter.

GERMANY PROTESTS AGAINST AMERICAN MOVE TO SEIZE SHIPS

WASHINGTON, May 9.

Germany has sent a note to the United States about the administrations bill, now pending in Congress, for the requisitioning of foreign ships

The note states that such legislation violates international law and the Treaty of Commerce between Germany and the United States.

It contends that such legislation infringes German rights by authorising the seizure of German ships without the consent of the German Government.

ANTI-GERMAN DEMONSTRATIONS IN ITALY

Rome University Closed For Action By Students

NEW YORK, May 9.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ROME HAS BEEN CLOSED AS A RESULT OF ANTI-GERMAN DEMONSTRATIONS BY STUDENTS. THE "NEW YORK TIMES" MAKES THIS STATEMENT, CITING ADVICES REACHING WASHINGTON AS ITS SOURCE.—REUTER.

No Nazi Demand Made On Portugal

Lisbon's Reply To U. S. Senator's Suggestion

LISBON, May 9.

The Portuguese Government has hitherto received no request or suggestion about the use of Portuguese ports or bases on the mainland or Atlantic islands from any belligerent or other State.

This announcement is made in an official 'communique' published here to-day in reply to the American Senator Pepper's suggestion that the United States and Britain should forestall the Nazis by jointly occupying territory including the Azores and Cape Verde Islands.

The 'communique' adds, "Portugal could resist, though she does not expect an attack."—Reuter.

Greek Workers Ordered To Report To German Command

CANEA (Crete), May 9.

Greek workers especially those in heavy industry, have been ordered to report to the German Command in Athens and be ready to be taken against their will far from their home and even outside the frontiers of Greece.

This is revealed in a statement issued on Thursday by the Greek Minister of Labour, M. Dimistratos.—Reuter.

News Not To Be Censored In Australia

CANBERRAS, May 9.

Cable messages from London to Australian newspapers will no longer be subject to censorship in Australia provided they have been previously censored in the United Kingdom.

This was announced by the Australian Minister of the Interior to-day Newspapers would be placed on "the honour system," he added.—Reuter.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

A LOVER'S LEAP

KEENO!
HE HAS EXPLOSIVE IN POCKET—FEAR KEENO VANISH INTO NOTHING!
AS KEENO FALLS, THE DYNAMITE DROPS FROM HIS POCKETS...
...EXPLODING ON THE ROCKS BELOW...
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BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

EVIL IS A WITCH THAT RIDES HER VICTIM TO DESTRUCTION!
KEENO—I FIND YOU IN SPIRIT WORLD!
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